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SECRETARY'S LETTER TO FORT S[T] GEORGE, DATED JANUARY 17, 1710. [*Public Despatches from England, Vol.* 16, *p.* 1.]

TO THE HON[BLE], THE PRESIDENT & COUNCIL OF FORT S[T]. GEORGE.

GENTLEMEN,

I am commanded by the [Court of Directors to] acquaint you That on an [. . .]of the Society for propa[gating Christian knowledge] the court have allowed [. . .] for the use of the Danish [. . .] a Printing Press and [uten. . . .] Paper and a bag of [. . .] the Charge of M[r]. Jo [. . .] the said ship for [. . .]

[*Many lines lost*]

. . .] did this day [. . .] recommend [. . .] to given [. . .] and Protect [. . .] of enlarging the [spread. . .] the Protest [. . .] India I send this by the Jane and have [. . . . dupli]cate to M[r]. ffinck beforemention'd and [. . .] at respect.

S[rs]

Your very Humble Servant,
THO: WOOLLEY
Sec[ry]

EAST INDIA HOUSE,
THE 17[TH] JANUARY, 1710.

Since writing the above I am informed the True name of the said Society is The Society for promoting Christian knowledge—and in case of M[r] ffinck's death The Society desire The above effects may be deliver'd to the abovemention'd M[r] Jennings and the Reverend M[r] Lewis at ffort St. George.

THO: WOOLLEY
SEC[RY]

SECRETARY'S LETTER TO FORT S[T] GEORGE, DATED DECEMBER 7, 1711. RECEIVED JULY 8, 1712 PER ARABELLA. [*Public Despatches from England, Vol.* 16, *pp.* 5–6.]

TO THE HONO[BLE]: THE PRESIDENT AND COUNCILL OF FORT S[T] GEORGE.

GENT[N]:

Captain Reid Com[mander . . .] a separate stock ship having [. . .]iall to the Court of Directors [. . .] was a Runner and in the Downes [. . .] the first good opportunity and [. . .] reach Fort S[t]. George and the [. . .] (bound ships) would be glad to carry [. . . g]ht fitt to send by him [. . .] acquaint you [. . .].

[. . .] nd [. . .] and imp [. . .].

[. . .] from the Bay the [. . .] from Mocha the [. . .] bay and the Carleton from [. . .] the Cape accompany'd them to [. . . ar]rived in the River of Thames the 8[th]. of August [. . .].

The Frederick from the Fort, The Susanna, Europe and Concord from the Bay and the Fleet frigott from Bombay came in Company with the men of war sent out for their convoy and arriv'd in the Downes the 6th. of October.

The Ships the Company are sending out this season are the Nathaniel 250 Tons Capt. Jonathan Negus bound out for Mocha has been in the Downes since the beginning of October we daily expect to hear she is sailed so soon as ever the wind will favour her.

The Stretham 350. Tons. Capt Harry Gough bound out for Canton and thence to Fort St. George has a Cargo on board amounting to Forty six Thousand five hundred sixty eight Pounds six shillings and Seven Pence and is on her way from Gravesend to the Downes. I can't at all doubt but you will be providing a proper cargo to be ready for her against her arrivall that she may be dispatcht for Europe so early as to save her passage about the Cape which the Captain is very earnestly prest to do his utmost to perform and I rest assured you will not in any measure be wanting in what concernes you.

[. . .] Capt. Lane is bound to the same Port and [. . .]ly to England they are both dispatcht from [. . .] and Convoy presents will I doubt not [. . .] land.

[. . .] 480 Tons Capt. Mathew Martin.
[. . .] 350. Capt. Laurence Minter.
[. . .] 30. Capt. Joseph Beale.
[. . .] Capt. Richard Holden
[. . .] Bay the three first directly to [. . .] Fort William. They are all [. . .] to be in the Downes the [. . .].

[. . .] hem pretty near the same [. . .]ens as they did last year [. . .] Capt. Page Keble for St. Helena and [. . .] Grantham 450. tons Capt. Jons. Collet, The Abing[don . . .] Capt. John Lesley. The Summers 480. Tons Capt. [. . . Pea]cock for Bombay and also the Companys own ship Blenheim 250. Tons Capt. Parrott this last to say in the Countrey for the Service of the Island none of these are yet in charterparty; however it is proposed they shall be in the Downes the 25th. of ffebruary next. I have not further at present to add but to wish you all the utmost successe in all the affairs under your Mannagement and to subscribe my self.

Gentn.
Your very humble Servt.
Tho: Woolley.
Secry

East India House London,
The 7th December, 1711.

General Letter to Fort St. George, dated December 28, 1711. Per Marlborough, Kent and Recovery. [*Letter Book, Vol. 14, pp.* 381–411. (*India Office transcript.*)]

London, 28th December, 1711.

Our President and Council
of Fort St. George.

By the Ships Dartmouth, Aurengzebe and Averilla Wee wrote you under the 3rd January, 1710, in answer to the letters from you then before us, and what further occurred touching our affairs under your care and Conduct. Wee likewise sent you a Short Supplementall Letter of the 19th of that Month by the Dartmouth, and of the 10th by the Jane, whereto Wee refer you, therein wee were very particular and express in our Directions and orders, these with what had been contained in our Letters of former years and which you will have recourse unto as occasion calls, will very much shorten what wee have now to say

in answer to the letters received from you of the 22th June, 1710, by the Abingdon, and of the 27th of December, 5th, 16th, and 23th January following by the Frederick, Because as our Council is now constituted wee have reason to hope there will be no need of long reasonings upon the orders wee have, doe, or shall send to explain them, or expostulations with you for omitting in part or whole, or going contrary to them, but that it will be enough to give you plain directions and advices. What wee have now to write wee shall range as usuall under the following heads, which wee have directed you also to do, but in the Letter before us wee find it is not complyed with as it ought [to be] some appearance there is of it, but in generall it is a rather rambling account of matters promiscuously put in as it came into the Penmans head, without that due connexion of Particulars under each generall which a man of ordinary capacity with Pains might have perform'd, this wee doubt not will be amended and therefore wee proceed.

FIRST CONCERNING SHIPPING SENT OUT AND RETURN'D.

2. Since our aforesaid Letters It has pleased God to send us the Ships following, viz^{t}. : the Abingdon from Bombay, and Nathaniel from Bencoolen, but last from Ireland, they arrived in the Downs the 21st May last.

3. The Loyall Bliss and King William from the Bay, the Loyall Cooke from China, the Donnegall from Mocha, the Blenheim from Mocha and Bombay, and the Carleton from Bencoolen by their early dispatches and hastening their voyages joyned the Dutch at the Cape, Sail'd with them to Holland and arrived in the river of Thames the 8th of August last.

4. The Frederick from the Fort, the Susanna, Europe and Concord from the Bay, and the Fleet Frigott from Bombay came in company with the men-of-war sent out for their Convoy, and Arrived in the Downes the 6th of October. The Concord got to the Cape within a day or two after the Dutch left it, and yet you will observe that little time made two months difference in her Arrivall, althô these last ships had a good passage from St. Helena and came directly into our Channell as high as the Downes without putting into any other Port. This wee hint to you to Show you by this late Example the reason why wee are so very earnest with you not to loose a Minutes time in the Speedy dispatch of your Ships for England, especially those who are designed for the first and early Ships and have any likelyhood of reaching the Cape before the departure of the Dutch Ships for Europe.

5. You will at the first sight observe in the foregoing account of our returned Ships there is only one from the Fort, and she had been a whole year and about four months in the Countrey, and in the Fredericks Letter you seem to promise for the Dispatch only of the Bouverie, and in some doubt about her. This never used to be so, and now wee have Shifted hands wee hope never will again, but on the Contrary the former expedition and dispatch at Fort St. George will revive and be improved, and the Bay not be suffered to outdo you, who have this year sent us five Ships.

6. The Ships wee are now sending out to all Parts of India this Season are:

The Nathaniel	...	250	tons, Captain Jonathan Negus, for Mocha. She was in the Downs the beginning of October, is now at Spithead & we hope will Sail the first fair Wind.
The Stretham	...	350	tons, Captain Harry Gough, for Canton and Fort St. George.
The Herne	...	350	tons, Captain John Lane, for Canton and home.
The Mary	...	450	tons, Captain Richard Holden, for the Bay.
The Marlborough	...	480	tons, Captain Matthew Martin, for the Coast and Bay.
The Kent	...	350	tons, Captain Laurence Minter, for the Coast and Bay.

The Recovery ... 330 tons, Captain Joseph Beale, for the Coast and Bay.

The two first have been in the Downs for some time and hope to hear they are Sailed the first fair Wind.

7. These Coast and Bay Ships were to be in the Downs the 20th instant, and Wee hope wind and Convoy presenting will speedily get out of England.

The Successe	...	220	tons, Captain Page Keble, for Bencoolen.
The Grantham	...	450	tons, Captain Jonathan Collet, for Bombay.
The Abingdon	...	400	tons, Captain John Lesley, for Bombay.
The Summers	...	480	tons, Captain Eustace Peacock, for Bombay.
The Blenheim	...	250	tons, Captain Abraham Parrott, for Bombay to stay there for the use of the Island.

These Ships wee designe shall be in the Downes the first in January next, the rest the 25th February.

8. In the Severall Ships Packetts you will find their Invoices, Bills of Lading, and Charterpartys, which will show the totalls and Particulars of each Ships Cargo, and the Conditions of every Ships entertainment.

9. Herewith you have abstract of the Strethams Cargo, which you will see amounts to Forty Six Thousand Five Hundred Sixty Eight Pounds Six Shillings and Seven Pence, and also Copy of the orders given the Supra Cargos for Investing the same, that you may by Examination find whether they have comply'd therewith, or wherein they have failed. Wee hope it will produce a good encrease on its delivery at Madrass. Wee have prest the Supra Cargos and Captain with the utmost earnestness to use all possible diligence to return early to you so as to be laden for England the same Season, and have told them wee would write you, as Wee here do, that you provide for her a Suitable Cargo to ly in readiness against her returne. What wee wrote you last year in the 7th and 8th Paragraphs concerning the Howland who went out then on the like voyage wee would have you observe with relation to this Ship, and don't repeat it here for brevitys sake.

10. Wee did for particular reasons allow Thomas Frederick Esq^{r}. to Send to his Sonne, one of our Councill with you, three Thousand Four Hundred Seventy Nine Ounces of Forreign Bullion on the Stretham, which the Supra Cargos were to invest at China in Gold, and Consign it to Mr. Thomas Frederick accordingly, and on the Ships Arrivall at the Fort to deliver it unto him, deducting thereout Five per Cent, which they are to pay to you for our Account as Dutyes payable to us for Freight of the said Bullion and Gold, this wee note to you for your observance.

11. Upon application made to us by Mr. John Gumley Wee have permitted him for a Tryall to send One Hundred Pounds Value in looking Glasses on the Stretham, and the same on the Herne, which the Supra Cargos are directed to sell for ready Money and not for Goods. The Supra Cargos on the Herne are to pay the produce of their looking glasses to those on the Stretham, and these last are to pay the same with the produce of what sent on their Ship into our Cash at Fort St. George, out of which Mr. Gumley is to allow us Five per Cent permission, and you must give Bills for the remainder drawn on us payable to him or his order at thirty dayes Sight, advice us what you do herein and what you can learn how these Glasses sold, and whether on your discourse with the Supra Cargos you apprehend a quantity of looking Glasses and of what sorts would go off Annually, or at any time in China, for wee should be glad of all opportunitys to be sending out goods rather than Bullion thither.

12. By the Strethams Invoice from hence you will see what the Supra Cargos have been permitted to joyn with our Cargo and by their Covenants which they are to show you it will appear wee have agreed with them they shall have the nett proceed thereof on the Sale of the whole Cargo at Madrass rata pro rata and in

proportion with ours, this proceed they are to invest in Dyamonds and no other Goods, and those Dyamonds must be sent home on our Ships and no other ways. Do you take care this be comply'd with and advise us of it. In the said Covenants it will also appear that the Commission of Four Per Cent allowed them (of which Mr. Penrice is to have one Pound fifteen shillings, Mr. Vane One Pound five shillings, and Captain Gough the remaining One per Cent) is to be Cast up on the nett proceed of the Strethams Cargo after Sale thereof at the Fort, and its Amount to be paid by you into our Cash, for which you are to give them Severally Bills on us at the rate of Nine Shillings Six Pence per Pagodo payable here at Thirty days Sight, and all but the Captain are with their Servants to return to us on the first Ships to England after Sale of the said Cargo or ascertaining the Commission thereon to be allowed them. But in case they do not truly account for all the said Cargo or do not truly Act and do according to all their Covenants then wee may make such defalcations, deductions, or abatements out of the said Bills of Exchange as wee see fitt, wherefore do you take care to examine all their Books of Accounts, Consultations and proceedings, and the produce of their Investment, and advise us how you find them and send us such remarks thereon as you judge proper on every Particular for our further examination and Conclusion here.

13. The Amount of the Cargos designed for the Coast and Bay, including the Strethams, wee intend shall be about Two Hundred Seventy five Thousand Pounds, of which we would have one Hundred and Seventy Thousand Pounds invested in the Bay and the rest at the Coast. Wee continue of the same mind for reparting the Coast and Bay goods on every Ship as there is opportunity as formerly advised.

14. Wee cant foresee all the Circumstances which may occurr on our Ships Arrivall at the Coast and Bay or afterwards and therefore dont think fitt to determine here which of them shall be dispatcht from either place, but leave that to you and our President and Councill in the Bay to mannage as you shall see most for our Service and as they can be soonest dispatcht for England; and would have you and they Settle that matter among yourselves to answer this our Intention which you are likely to have time before you to effect and to have returns of the Letters to be sent from each Place and to that end do you early send them an account what Tonnage you have in Warehouse or have reason to expect in a time certain. Wee now send them the like orders to acquaint you what prospect they have for filling up all, or how much of the Tonnage then upon their hands or expected in the Bay within the time proper to return the same for England.

15. Wee continue in all the Captains Instructions the same orders as wee advised you of last year and have, to prevent other Captains captious humours, amended a Clause therein at which it seems Captain Upton in the London took some exception and was hardly prevailed on to accompany the other outwardbound Ships so far as he might for mutuall Security. What wee wrote last year on this head wee now confirm and would have continued as wee also would all the other directions, but name this and the advices about our own or other Ships Importations and Departures with the particular days of our own the Preventing Demorages or making Ships while in the Countrey earn their Charge, the watchfull eye upon the French, the Surveying Ships and particularly their Gun decks, The sending us an annuall Account of the Charge of our Countrey Vessells and the gross amount of every Item of each Ships Charge, because all these are properly to be placed under this head and should be on all requisits occasions in your thoughts. Your Letter dos not mention when the Susanna arrived at Madrass only when she went for the Bay, thô in the Consultation it is the 6th July she came into the Road.

16. The Severall Accounts sent in the Fredericks Packett relating to the Carletons reasons for coming to Madrass, the receipts for Charterparty Money to the Ships, the Account of the Phoenix and St. George, the Tonnage brought by the Hallifax to the Fort from the Bay and what left behind, the Damage upon her, the Surgeons Receipts for head Money for the Souldiers, account of Ships

Arrivall at and departure from Madrass from January to December 1710, the account of what received short of Invoice in Severall Ships wee approve and would have constantly continued, together with any other necessary Papers proper for our Information.

17. You did well in advising us that Captain Newman refused to carry down our rupees to the Bay unless you paid him Freight. It had been yet better if this Transaction, and indeed all others of the like nature, had been in writting which would have produced Answers in writing also and prove a more flat charge and less lyable to exception than bare assertions of words which may be explained and bended to serve for an excuse or at least diminishing the Charge.

18. Wee also approve the Account you give us that you are well informed Eighteen Thousand Rupees was offered at Suratt for the hire of the Tankerville on the same voyage thô she was let out for Fourteen Thousand. Wee have already in our last letters to Bombay complain'd of that notorious fraud of which wee have now a further proof by our Last Ships, for that Rustumjee, in whose name the Abingdon was hired for Eighteen Thousand Rupees, on her return back gave in a demand of Thirty Six Thousand Rupees Dammage for the want of one fourth part of her lading which he says Captain Lesley imploy'd on his own account and that the said demand was computed pro rata according to the goods she did bring in an Average and how it will end wee dont yet know, however, this Pretence whether reall or no of the Captains incroachment was given by our said Councill at Suratt as a reason why they could not let the Tankerville on the same voyage thô a bigger Ship for more than Fourteen Thousand Rupees, such faithfull Servants wee had there, but it is no more in their Power to do us any Dammage of this kind and wee hope their dismission will be an effectuall Example to prevent the like in others hereafter, and as a further remedy wee now write to the Bay (for the freighting the Hester appears in almost as bad Colours) That wee are resolved That whenever any Proposalls are made for hiring our Ships on freight there, they shall call the Captain into Councill with them to Sit, hear and vote on such Proposalls and the Resolutions to be taken thereupon that so wee may on each Captains return have a certain account of the steps taken therein, and by his being present may come at the truth of the case on cross Examinations when necessary, and wee shall give the same orders to Suratt and Persia because wee have not been well served in this Affair at either Place.

19. Wee had heard from Captain Buck, who was Chief Mate of the Great London when Sir George Mathew commanded her, that Sir George made Fifteen Thousand Pounds Sterling freight from the Bay to Persia. Wee thereupon some time since discoursed Sir George upon it, who says he did make above One Hundred and Fifteen Thousand Rupees Freight and proceeded in this manner: he took in Freight Goods of everyone that presented, he has had Five Hundred Bales ly before his door in a Morning to wait his leisure to weigh them, they paid him the freight in hand before sent on board at Eleven Rupees per Maund Buzar of Eighty three pound weight, except gunnys, which paid freight per Corge[1]. That with part of that Money he bought Rice, Sugar, &c[a]. gruff Goods and therewith Ballasted his Ship on his own Account and sold them to good Profitt, the rest of the Money he let out to the same freighters at about thirty three per Cent Respondentia and was repaid it at Gombroon before he sent a Bale ashore, and the same is Practiced by the Separate Stock Ships. Sir George further says if he had stay'd another year he might in the same way have doubled the Stock of that voyage. This wee have wrote at large to the Bay and have with more than ordinary warmth expostulated with them thereupon on account of the Hester, whose freight when their last letters were writt us was not paid by Jonardaun, another Rustumjee. Our reason for laying this before you is That if you have any of our Tonnage upon your hands that you cant dispatch you may do accordingly, or if you can by your orders to the Bay fix such a voyage you may keep one of our Ships in the Countrey because this will double countervail the Demorage.

[1] A mercantile term for 'a score.' *Hobson Jobson*, p. 255.

20. Wee have this year again desired Sir Jonathan Andrews, Sir Edmond Harrison, Sir George Mathew and Gregory Page Esq^{r}. or any three of them, to be a Secrett Committee, and have invested them with the usuall powers, of which you have annually an account, wherefore you must observe their directions accordingly.

21. Wee have put a Clause into all the Ships Charterpartys for the Coast and Bay that our President and Councill at either place may lade half Petre on each, however, wee have still such a quantity of Petre remaining in our wherehouses that you must send us no more than Charterparty proportion and what else the Captains desire by a Writing as usuall under their hands unless you have not goods enough to dispatch a Ship home without using that liberty. We have often complained to the Bay that they dont get us our Petre so well refined as the Dutch Petre is, and do now write them that the last Five Hundred Tons this year delivered to the Board of Ordnance which was refracted upon Oath by a Man wee look upon to be honest and who has don it for severall years, he had Ten Hundred weight of the Petre by each of the following Ships and gave in the account as follows, viz.^{t}: The Petre received by the Kent had in it a Refraction of Fifteen Pounds Seven Tenths per hundred weight, the Petre by the Summers Fifteen Pounds and a half, the Petre by the Litchfield Thirteen Pounds one Tenth, the Petre by the Heathcote Twelve Pounds Nine Tenths, and the Petre by the Herne Six Pounds Seven Tenths per Hundred weight and in the Average upon the whole wee are obliged to allow Thirteen Pounds per Hundred weight the Powdermakers complain'd they ought to have one per cent more than he made it, our reason for giving you this Account is that if the Petre you from time to time receive is not fine, you may advise them at the Bay of it and say it is by our order and exhort them to gett it better, for that the Dutch Petre has not above Six Pounds per Cent refraction in it and they have it from the same Place with us.

22. Wee have advised the Bay that whenever they receive any Bale Goods from the Coast or send any up thither pursuant to our orders for reparting the goods on the Coast and Bay ships they should send us an abstract of the quantitys of the Severall Species for this reason, That in case the notice thereof should come to us before the Ships whereon such goods are laden wee can with the more certainty judge what to expect and accordingly govern ourselves in putting up more or less of those Species at the ensuing Sale, the same reason also holding for the Coast, therefore do you let us know what sorts and quantitys you send to or receive from the Bay.

23. Our people at St. Helena lately wrote us that the Arrack they receiv'd from Bombay was Stark nought and wee believe with reason complained it was Spoilt on board Ship not knowing but one time or another the like may happen in what sent from Fort St. George, therefore to prevent it when you send any Arrack thither send a large bottle or small case of bottles of the same sort well stopt and sealed to St. Helena and advise them and us of it and thereby the fraud if any on board Ship will be easily discovered.

24. Wee observe you sometimes during this War have sent Souldiers on board our Ships for the Security of them and their Cargos from Port to Port, and the Bay have don the same, wee approve of it. Wee now write to the Bay to the effect following and the same reason holds to the Fort, viz^{t}. That wee think the captains should be persuaded to allow them some Gratuity to encourage them to stand by them in case of an attack over and above the allowing them dyet. Wee dont understand by their Letters on what terms they are lent and who is to bear the Charge of their return, considering wee allow them pay all the while equall to what they would have if doing duty in Garrison. Advise by the next how this matter stands on such occasions.

25. Wee have also added to the Bay our dislike for sparing the Rochester Eight of their Souldiers notwithstanding they say in their last Letters in answer to ours which found fault therewith, that it was of absolute necessity and for

preservation of the Cargo, and have told them that by Charterparty the Owners and Commander are bound to have their Charterparty Number of Men during the Voyage, and in case of death to recruit them, and if they could not without Souldiers they should remember every Souldier stands us in Twenty five Pounds that is delivered in India, they should therefore have contracted with the Captain to have allowed us that reall charge, and if he had refused to have protested against him for such want of Men which made it unsafe to load anything aboard.

26. This Account which wee give you of what now wrote to the Bay is for your Information what our thoughts are and that you may conform thereto in case of the like exigencys at Fort St. George.

27. Captain Reid has made an entry of Five Hundred Pounds Separate Stock, the Copy of which wee send herewith, and with no more is going out with the Arabella to India, he says to the Coast and Bay, wee can't understand how it is possible for him to pay seamens wages with the Profitt and the Principall added to it except his Dependance is on freights, as wee are told it is, and if so it is a further Confirmation of the benefitts to be made thereby where honesty, ability and application do all unite to make them advantagious. Wee have, in pursuance of the Act of Parliament for prolonging our term of years, given the Proprietors of the Separate Stock, which are now but two Persons notice on the 1st of October 1711 That wee will repay them their Principall and Interest in three years according to the directions in that Act folio 304 and 30 , which wee sent you Three years since, do you advise the same down the Bay, wee having omitted it in our Generall to them.

28. Wee have in a former paragraph hinted at the unaccountable Supineness of our then President and Councill to send us only one ship in a Season, and she had layn about sixteen months in India. Wee can't omitt taking notice further of the same sort of management mentioned in the 36th Paragraph of the Letter by the Frederick, where it is said they hope to dispatch the Hallifax in October 1711. They own she arrived at Canton 22nd September 1710. She may reasonably be expected with a good passage in January or the beginning of February, why might not she then be dispatcht as well as the Sidney was, who was One Hundred Tons bigger, or if not, why should she stay to October, may not she in such a case of exigency be laden as well as the Carleton was and depart towards England as the Abingdon did and thereby save some Demorage, thô in the Generall wee are not for our Ships coming home in the Winter if to be avoided. Consider again how much Demorage on this Supposall she must have, for this voyage to China being full Seventeen Months, which at Thirteen Pounds Eight Shillings and four pence a day comes to very near Seven Thousand Pounds, without reckoning the time she lay Idle in expectation of the Voyage or preparing for it, and you let her out at Eight Thousand Pagodos, Surely the bare stating the fact is enough to make a Modest or ingenious Man to blush, without deducting the necessary Consequences, which wee did in a case of the like nature last year, whereto refer you, as also to the 15th Paragraph of our Letter by the Heathcote where wee stated the matter of Demorage at large.

29. The 80th Paragraph of the said Letter tells us wee may be assured there is the same friendly Correspondence between the Governour of Pondecherry and those at the Fort for the benefitt of Madrass as was formerly when wee find that the Manilla Ship carryed thither, thô belonging as the Letter says to the black Merchants and Consequently not at war is cleared as Captain Welds was which belonged to the English, Wee shall be inclined to believe it—in the interim shall take that with severall other Paragraphs in the Letter before us to be but vain words.

30. If any of our Ships touch at any your Subordinate Factorys give from time to time the proper orders to prevent their spending their time there needlessly, which will thereby add to their Demorage, but take care they be hastened away, advise this also to the West Coast.

SECONDLY CONCERNING GOODS SENT FROM EUROPE.

31. Wee must observe in your said two Letters scarce a word is mentioned concerning this matter, no Generall head under which to put your remarks on the severall sorts of Woollen or other English Manufacture, how the vend thereof might be enlarged, what sorts and quantitys will go off in a year, thô so earnestly recommended to you from time to time, only in the 35th Paragraph where you tell us how the black Merchants impose upon you, in your intended Investment There comes in as it were by chance the notice that you were bid by some Merchants Sixty per cent for the Broadcloth received by the last Shipping and yet you Sold it for Fifty five per cent to others whom in the same Paragraph you with a great deal of Sagacity find and are confirmed they are in a Combination against you, and then you think you have made sufficient amends by adding, If you live you will break the Charm of any such Combination for the future, this being wise too late is the worst of all folly.

32. You just mention that the two Bales of Embost Cloth, which is you say but ordinary in its kind, you can dispose of when you please at one hundred per cent, but then you must keep Three or Four Pieces of them for presents, and then go on to add how you might have once had Sixty per cent for our Broadcloth and yet took Fifty five as before mentioned is this a mercantile account would it not have been better to have told us wherein the ordinaryness of the Cloth consisted, whether in its being course or ill made, or in the Embossing or both, which sorts of Colours or works are in most or least Esteem, or what other works would do better, what fineness the Cloth ought to be of, to what uses applyed, and how much the Markett would take off or when you would dispose of what remained above the designed Presents. Nor do you mention one word about the Iron Glass ware and other matters mentioned in the Bouveries &c^{a}. Ships Letters under this head. But resting assured these things will be better mannaged by our now President and Councill wee go on to acquaint you.

33. That wee have it very much at heart to encrease the use of our Woollen Manufactures in all parts of India, and to answer so much of our desires therein as relates to the Coast do you advise us in Express and plain words what you mean by ordinary and what by fine Cloth, if you can, send Patterns of the Severall Sorts you would have, and which the Merchants do not like. If you have not Patterns then describe them by the Cloths you receive in such a Bale so Marked and Number'd by such a Ship and the Invoice Price and how much you would have it courser or finer if you desire either, this will bring it to some certainty, whereas to write in generall for so many Bales of fine and so many of ordinary Broadcloth leaves us too much in the dark there being severall degrees of finer and Courser in each sort. Besides you must consider Cloth rises and falls from five to fifteen per cent, what now sent is Cheap bought.

34. Advise us also whether the Cloth is more or less esteemed for its being of a thick midling or thinner Substance for it may be made either as it is more or less stretched in its length. Remember as some Cloth is made of a finer and some of a Courser wooll, so both Sorts are made some of a thicker and some of a smaller thread or Spinning, learn which is most and which least esteemed and advise us.

35. Then as to the Colours, let us know which prove best in what now or hereafter to be sent, whether Popinjays are better or worse liked because the green is of a darker or lighter Shade or any other Colours for being deeper or paler, and send patterns of those liked and disliked, with your remarks thereon, by this means wee propose to give a greater Credit and Consumption to our Woollen Goods.

36. Advise us whether the Merchants have a Particular regard to the Length of the Cloth and Value it at so much more for being somewhat longer than the usual Lengths or make abatements if it be Shorter, and to what uses they put the Cloth they buy of you, which may be some guide to us in our providing it here,

for it is very likely what is apply'd for Garments would be better liked to be thinner than that for furniture.

37. Give us also notice in the same manner as to your Perpetuanoes,[1] wee have two sorts here, one made at Exeter which is thicker and courser than the Colchester, and there are some Exeters finer than others, the Invoices distinguish both sorts and which are finer and Courser of either a little pains and application will make you expert in drawing out your advices in proper and full directions for every species of the Woollen Manufacture for fineness, Courseness, make, and Colour, such matters of Moment ought not to be omitted in your Letter.

38. Our Committee of Buying observed in the List of Goods wanted at Fort St. George a failure in the carefull descriptions of the Severall Sorts as before mentioned, and some perfect Blunders, as for instance in the demand of fifty Bales of Scarlets it runs thus: Twenty five Bales Scarlets five ditto fine Twenty ditto in grain, whereas all Scarlets are in grain and whether the Ditto refers to the Scarlet or to the Scarlet fine is not Intelligible. In the same List there is a demand of Thirty Bales of Perpetuanoes ordinary and ten ditto fine, but no account of the Colours of either.

39. However, the Committee have, as well as they could, endeavour'd to hitt your meaning as you will see by the respective Invoices, and have in the Generall sent the quantitys desired in said List encreasing a Little in some and decreasing in other Articles and have sent some few Bales of severall sorts and Colours of Cloth for a tryall. Give particular advice how they sell and of the demand for any of them and to this end try them apart, for if you sell all the Cargo of Woollen Manufactures at once it may not be so easy to judge which of the colours or make or fineness of the Generall Woollen Manufactures are most or least esteemed by the Natives, but in that case a little pains and Enquiry will soon make you Masters of it. Our Committee have not sent the Cloth Rashes Imbost Callimancos or flannen wrote for, if you would advise us to what purposes they are applyed and what profitt they would make in your next wee will reconsider that matter.

40. Wee continue our Method of marking and Numbring all our Broadcloth &c^{a}. thereby to discover whom to blame if there be any fault in the dying, pressing, packing or other the workmanship upon it.

41. In the Invoices you will find two sorts of Gold and two sorts of silver thread, advise how these are esteemed and do yield, and what more you would have of all or any of the said sorts and whether round or fine sells best and how much of each you want and whether the richer Gold thread advances in proportion to its price here above the other. Advise also how the Glass ware proves and whether it be esteemed, or what amendments should be made in any to be hereafter sent.

42. All the Stores by you wrote for come in these ships including therein the part sent by those of last year which were not arrived when the List now received was drawn out.

43. Our People in the Bay complaining they are overburden'd with Lead, wee have sent none this year to the Coast or Bay, but instead thereof have sent them on the Mary Eighty Tons of Iron, and on the Coast Ships two Hundred Tons more, and have wrote them that if they can dispose of more than now sent them they should write to you for a Supply and wee would have you (as wee also direct them) to send us an account how this Iron sells and how much will annually go off and at what price and whether any difference is made between Spanish and Stockholm or other Swedish Iron, and which is preferable, and by how much the Maund or Candy, and that you may not mistake, send us the Marks of the Iron in most and least esteem and whether the Square, broad or narrow bars are best liked or if any of them should be different and wherein and whether the Market be rising or falling when you advise the Price you Sell this for. These notices

[1] A light and glossy twilled stuff of wool, exported from England to the East, during the 17th and the first part of the 18th centuries. *Hobson-Jobson*, p. 699.

are all proper for our Letters when therein inserted will come soonest to our Hands and wee can more rely on them when Sign'd by you all than if they were only put apart in a Piece of paper in the Packet without any hand to warrant it or any care in its transcribing.

44. Wee have received in the Packett a Paper containing an account of Mildew'd Cloth, but it is don in such a Scrawling manner that wee scarce know what to make of it and nobody has Sign'd it, therein is a little paper of the like nature Sign'd by Mr. Martin the Warehousekeeper, there is only an Account of the Packers name to two Articles. Do you take care for the future that such Accounts whenever sent be drawn out handsomly in proper Columns for the number of the Bale of the Piece and its dammage &c^{a}. and well written and sign'd by the proper Officer. There are a great many Papers in this Packett wrote in a most slovenly and poor manner not fit for a schoolboy of twelve years old much less for young men who will in a little time expect to be Factors. Wee had used to have excellent good writing from the Fort formerly, but of late it has miserably declined and bespeaks a want of Care in the Superiours to suffer it, who ought to have the blame since they have the authority to amend it.

45. Wee have received three accounts in the Packett of the Sale of Corall laden on the Bouverie &c^{a}. Ships sent in pursuance of our order to you in the 21st Paragraph of our Letter by those Ships. That given in by Mr. Maubert of what sent on the Susanna is well don and according to the Register here and shews fairly what is produced, he setts down the particulars of the Invoice as to contents and Value and also what it sold for, but the other two Parcels, which the Trustees of the late President Addison give the Account of, is intricately don, wee suppose by acident nor do they agree with our Register here exactly, for the future let this be amended by sending us the severall Articles in the Invoice and against each what it produced whereby we shall be assured their Entrys with us is right and know what profit it makes to be a guidance to us in severall matters necessary for our Cognizance and this wee expect from our President for the time being or his representatives because wee have made it a standing rule that no such Consignments shall be made except to our President in the first Place, who is to have two and a half per cent Commission, and then to any others the Concerneds please.

THIRDLY TOUCHING INVESTMENTS OF GOODS PROPER FOR EUROPE.

46. Enclosed wee send you our orders for providing goods proper for the Marketts which you must conform to to the utmost of your power and in the same manner as if here entered verbatim what wee wrote last year and in some former on this head if well attended to and complyed with will make it less necessary to repeat the same again. Here the Principall of all is to look back to the Invoices in the old Company's time and reduce the prices to what they then were and keep up all the goods to their muster.

47. Our warehousekeepers tell us there is a great mistake in the Invoices of the Herne which makes the two hundred Bales of Coast goods on her to be one hundred forty one Bales of Longcloth containing Four Thousand Sixty Eight pieces, and the fifty nine Bales of Sallampores to contain Four Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty Pieces. But when they came to be examined in the Warehouse it appear'd the One Hundred forty one Bales of Longcloth contained Four Thousand Two hundred and Thirty Pieces and the Fifty nine Bales Sallampores contain'd only Four Thousand Six Hundred and Sixty Pieces, some other mistakes there are in the Sommers Invoice, but of these things the Accomptants will give you the particulars to correct what is amiss.

48. The Bales received of late from the Coast have been ill pack'd and particularly those by the Frederick, by which means they are not so well fenced against Dammage as they ought to be and wee are great Sufferers. This shows an unaccountable carelessness, also that the Courser Goods are better packt in

Generall and the finest worst, the Bettellees Stript from Vizagapatam are charged in the Invoice at Two Pagodos per Bale packing charges, whereas all the Wrappers in one of those Bales would not yield here at our Candle three shillings. The like Complaint lyes against the Bales of other Places, thô not to so great a degree.

49. Our Warehousekeepers observe some of the Fort St. Davids Bales thô the outside seems fair yet on opening them the contain'd Goods are dammaged and look of a yellow Colour as if the dammage was of long Standing, and more Bales of that Factory Goods prove dammaged than of Madrass. They are ready to think that this may arise by their not being well taken care of when brought up to Fort St. George, or if put on board ship at Fort St. Davids, by the want of care in sending them off to the Ship, whatever it be do you take care to prevent it in all time to come.

50. Wee have before hinted at the reasons you gave about your Investment and the Merchants combining against you, wee might make many remarkes on it, as why did not you begin sooner and then you had had more time to have try'd others, or why did not you try others, as in the end of the 38th Paragraph you say you will, to break the Combination. Why don't you observe the Orders formerly sent to be buying up Goods all the year long of them who would serve you best and Cheapest, such folding of the hands and keeping them in the bosom is blameworthy in everybody, but much more in those who are placed at the head of so considerable an affair as the Presidency of Fort St. George, and gives a further convincing proof how absolutely necessary it was to look out for Men of Genius and activity who know how to prevent the danger when at a distance and not tamely to sit down under every little black fellows insults or Contrivances to disappoint you, especially when there was but so little a while before better Precedents set.

51. Our people in the Bay in their last Letters write us the Batta on our Rupees was but nine per cent when the Batta on their Siccas[1] is Thirteen and a half, and on that Foot make a Calculation it is better to send them Dollars or Bullion than Rupees Coyn'd at the Fort by One Rupee thirteen Annas and a half per cent. Wee have made our remarks on that part of their mannagement, which they and you will see wee were apprehensive of by what wee wrote in our Letters last year, on the whole wee have ordered them that if they can't or rather don't keep up the reputation of our Mint better, they may desire you to send them Silver instead of rupees, this wee note for your information.

Fourthly Touching the Trade of India in Generall and therein any Transactions with the Countrey Government.

52. The care you have taken to check and put some stop to that intollerable expence at Bencoolen merits our Commendation and wee are pleased with the Account given of your Proceedings, thô wee must say it had been better you had don it all under the head of West Coast and not in Piece meals here and there throughout the Letter. Wee have not seen Mr. Harrison to discourse him as yet, he having been in the Countrey, but hope to do it in a little time in order the better to prepare our directions by the Successe, nor have wee as yet demanded of Messrs. Urban Hall Esq^r. and Thomas Clarke, Mr. Skingles Ballance of Two Hundred Fifty Nine Pounds four shillings and four pence half penny for which he drew a Bill on them because wee have refused to accept a Bill some times since presented us for Two Thousand Two Hundred Dollars payable to them on his Account. The Supervisors turning him out notwithstanding the orders by the Sherborn was well don when they found he had so monstrously embezled and Squandered away our Estate, which wee find by your 19th Paragraph in Twenty one Months time amounted to one hundred and fifty thousand Dollars without any fair Account, and wee take it well that he being found a Debtor of

[1] Newly coined rupees in Bengal during the Company's time till 1836. These weighed 192 grs. troy, and contained 176·13 grs. of pure silver. *Hobson-Jobson*, p. 834.

Nine Thousand One hundred and forty Dollars for Errors and wrong Changes in the Account of Cash he kept, the same is recovered excepting the above Bill, the Charge which wee take for granted is true of his Crueltys to the Natives and the odium he contracted thereby had been a Sufficient reason for his removall. This wee only mention if it should be the case of any future Deputy Governour. But your Letter is altogether silent what Enquirys have been made touching the said One hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars, how it came to be so Spent, and who had the fingering of it besides himself, or whether any part thereof is recovered. A good Account of this from you would have been acceptable. You will before this know the new foot wee have put the affairs of the West Coast upon. Wee depend upon it the proper orders have been given by you that you will have a watchfull eye on those Settlements and whenever you have the least rumour of our Estates there being ill mannaged that you will continue this method of sending down Supervisors, Men of Ability and conduct to rectify all disorders. But having wrote so Largely last Year on all affairs about Bencoolen &c^{a}. wee shall say no more at Present than to tell you wee like your Notion of Sending Twenty Four Lascars to the West Coast to lade and unlade the Ships and do the other necessary works, as wee shall of whatever else is don for the saving of money and benefit of the Place. Wee expect to receive from you an Account as soon and as exact as you can of the Settlements on the West Coast, the Nature of them at present and how they may be improved in any the particulars wrote about last year or any others.

53. The troubles at Vizagapatam wee are very sorry for and since it did appear to you that there was such a Debt due to Fuckerla Caun from Mr. Holcombe, and that the good debts owing to Mr. Holcombe's Estate were more than would pay it, which if wee can understand your Letter of the 22th June 1710, it did, wee much wonder you should let things go on to extremity, why had not you endeavour'd to have quenched that fire when it first began to smoke and when the Caun had once begun hostilitys and was withdrawn. What reason can be given why you had not brought about a Compromise if your orders were not duly obey'd by those at Vizagapatam neither sending Juggapa nor the Present to the Caun, why had not you supported your own Authority by censuring and suspending the Offenders and Employing such as would. It looks in all this mannagement as if you thought that you had acquitted yourselves and don all incumbent on you if you could but transfer the blame to others and complain of a failure in their duty and that there was no necessity for you to be at any Pains to prevent the threatening mischief. Surely when wee trusted you with the Government of that Presidency wee apprehended you would have Show'd more Zeal and Conduct and that Indolence and Stupidity would not have had such Power over you. This wee now hope will be remedy'd and that our now Councills Talents will not ly altogether in finding faults but rather in preventing and curing them.

54. Wee know not how to account for your Mannagement in the affair of the present lying at Metchlepatam, if wee can make any judgment of it, it is this, you act as if you believed and reckoned things would do of themselves, and if you can but have an excuse that the Suba or the Goosburdar[1] or anybody will not consent to the removing the Present, thô the Prince ordered it, there is nothing further incumbent on you. Men of brains would not have acquiesced in a denyall but have found out ways to remove the impediment, it looks as if the Natives opinion of the then head was the only hindrance, and therefore he must be at the Cost of a Present to have that which another would obtain for bare asking, this wee take to be the meaning of the Entry in your Consultation of the 28th December, that if the Suba[2] be presented with about One Thousand Rupees he will permitt the Present to be Shipt off to Bengall.

[1] A mace-bearer, whose business it was to preserve order in assemblies, to carry the King's orders, and execute his Commands with the utmost speed. *Hobson—Jobson*, p. 387.

[2] The Viceroy or Governor of a *Suba* of the Mogul Empire. *Hobson—Jobson*, p. 856.

55. Touching our five Towns, wee have taken Notice in our last Years Letter and don't doubt but on the arrivall of President Harrison wee shall have them returned to us again, which notwithstanding your fine flourishes of Nabob Doud Cauns kindness, and the Civill Perwannas sent you, you very sedately tell us were taken away after about Six Months possession and the Expence of near Nine hundred Pagodos to get a second regrant of them thereby intirely lost, besides Six hundred Pagodos Present, which your Consultation of the 22th June ordered to be made, thô it dos not so fully appear when sent to this very Duan who took them away.

56. Your 15th Paragraph of the Abingdons Letter mentions the Letter from the Duan Sadattulla Caun, and that it is very ambiguous and intricate, relating to a great Dyamond belonging to the King, which you know not what to make of, perhaps some of the persons who signed that Letter do not, but wee apprehend those who have supported Captain Seaton are let further into the Secrett. What is incumbent on you is to prevent every handle the Moors may take to embarrass us, of which such a Report as this might be made a very great one, how far and wide the mischievous Consequences of it may Spread the wisest of you all can't foresee, and by the late Mannagement show you want Tallents to stop. Wherefore it is all your dutys to prevent it and whatever has a tendency that way. It dos not appear what Answer was returned to that Letter by anything in your Packett. This wee mention as to your Carriage towards the Moors, But with relation to ourselves, wee say wee expect you send us the best account you can on your Enquirys how that Dyamond was come by, whether the buying it or bringing it to England has been to our prejudice, and wherein and how much, and anything else you think proper for our notice, that if wee should Suffer thereby wee may endeavour a remedy, Enquire also who they were that first sett on foot the discourse about it, and how it came to pass that when the Dyamond had been in England Severall years before the Natives (if that Letter was genuine) never mentioned anything about it till after the late President was come to England.

57. Wee don't at all like the Accounts given us in your 50th and 51th Paragraphs about Rajah Syrrup Sing detaining Lieutenant Hugonin and Ensign Ray, and a present of Two hundred Pagodos given for their releasment, which thô taken, the Men are where they were. Had the like case happened in the late Presidents time he would have recovered them both at a tenth part of the Money, or rather the Rajah would not have dared to attempt the surprizing of them. Wee shall wait your next Letters to hear the Event, but wee expect a strict Enquiry be made into the Reasons assigned by Syrrup Sing for seizing those two Officers which he says is by way of Reprizall for our Peoples protecting the Renters of the Waldore and Tevenapatam Countreys, who are in Arrears to him, and that he had often wrote to the Deputy Governour of Fort St. Davids to send them up or he would look upon the English as his Debtors and finding no Remedy had took this way do himself justice. This being, as your Letter seems to make it, the true state of the case wee must say it is a very bad one and what you must never suffer again as you are surrounded with the Moors or Gentues and do expect fair treatment from them and wee have constantly recommended to you to keep a good understanding with the Government. You must never either give or suffer to be given such a handle for complaint and thereby teach them to practice after your example, for they may make an hundred Instances for your one and you can't but know they are watching all opportunitys to squeeze Moneys from you which wee have often warned you of. If there were nothing else for a reason this would be sufficient to recall such a Deputy Governour from a Post he did not mannage better and then to tell us the Renters whom you seized deceived you and them at St. Davids by fair promises is another instance of your wisdom and should convince you all that nothing but rigorous severity can keep those black fellows true to their words.

FIFTHLY TOUCHING OUR FORTIFICATIONS, BUILDINGS AND REVENUES.

58. Wee approve of your reasons for building the Guard house at Egmore your dispatch therein the Excuse given the Suba and the Turnpikes designed to keep a party of horse from pillaging the villages at unawares there was something of Conduct as you have represented that matter.

59. You did well to send us the account of the rent of some of the Farms and your proceedings therein. Let us yearly have in our Generall Letters under the head of Revenues the account of the Annuall produce of every branch of our Revenues which are let to Farm, and how long the leases are let for, and when they expire, also the annuall produce of the other branches not let to farm to a time certain of that current year, suppose to the end of November or rather December, there can be no great trouble in casting it up nor in the mention to be made of it in the letter.

60. But wee do with concern take notice that by your ill mannagement, wee must call it yours who signe the Letter by the Frederick, there is like to be some hazard in the Debt of Six Thousand four hundred and thirty Pagódos owing by the Tobacco &c[a]. Farmers. You own the Annuall Rent of Seven Thousand Pagodos a year was to be paid monthly in equall parts, where was the care of those concerned in receiving it, why should it be let alone till it swell'd so high, especially when you say they have neither houses, goods, or Chattells to make Satisfaction. Why could not you when you first found them backward have let the Farm to others who were able, as you did at last. This summe is too much to loose, you must get it in one way or another, if not you ought to make it good because you had the Power to have prevented the loss, if there should be any, or at least when they had been a Month or two in Arrear should not have let them run on further.

61. Wee have considered your 41[th] Paragraph about the Toddy Trees let out at Forty Pagodos a year and that the Ministers and Churchwardens offer a hundred Pagodos for what those Trees pay yearly to prevent the grievous excesses and disorders committed there, to which wee say you must not allow or connive at such debaucherry which whenever the Governour is a man of spirit and prudence may be cured, But if nothing less than the stopping the sale of the Toddy will be effectuall to prevent it, then accept the offer, althô wee are very loth to have any Article struck out of our Generall Rentall. Could not a Parcell of them be planted in some other Place to produce Toddy and then those clauses of the Complaint viz[t]. That these excesses are Committed on hallowed ground and the Tombs of the deceased turned into Receptacles for Beggars, Vagabonds, and Buffaloes, and the Gates kept open a nights which should keep them out, would be removed. On the whole matter do as you think best all things considered and advise the result.

62. You tell us, Paragraph 65, our Generall Books ending the 30th April 1710 present to our view Seventy One Thousand Nine hundred and Twenty Pagodos thirty two fanams Three Cash gain'd clear of all charges. It had been better to have sent an Abstract of the severall Items that compose that totall, for many times our books don't come till after wee have dispatcht our Letters, but the Generall Letters come thô the ships were in Ireland, Holland, and other European Ports. Yon don't give any reason why they have produced no more when last years letters told us the Revenues amounted to Pagodos one hundred and five thousand nor what was the reason of the decrease. Wee hope for better mannagement now and that our Revenues will be regained by our now constituted President and Councill which, next to the honest and timely mannagement of our Investments, is one of the best Indications of the Zeal, ability, and Integrity of those in our Service, for it bespeaks a wise mannagement of the Government that the People are neither secretly or openly opprest that they flourish in their Trade and that our Servants eyes are always open to discerne and their endeavours exercised to promote whatever is for our Interest, which is more

the Interest of our Country than our own as it makes the English Power prevailing and yields a constant supply to keep it vigorous.

63. Wee have heard that Parriar Arrack made at Madrass is prejudiciall to the souldiers and others, if you find it is so, forbid it, and if any will undertake to make better and more wholsom encourage them, be they Blacks or Whites, and let them have the Licence after what is now granted is expired or before if the Partys concerned will consent, but then take care the arrack be well made and if possible that wee don't suffer by Lowering the Lycence.

64. Wee are told there are great frauds Committed in the Land Customs by running of Goods and that the Armenians and Gentues particularly are greatly concern'd therein who do bribe conicoplys to connive at it which lessens that branch One Thousand Pagodos a year to prevent which do you give forthwith Publick Notice for the Generall Information of all that if any Goods are caught when brought into the Towne without being duly entred, and the Custome paid, they shall be seized half to the use of the Company and half to the Discoverers, or if you think it will better effect this our design let the last half be distributed to the Land Customer and the Officers under him and belonging to the Choultry in such proportions as shall be agreed on, and if you can prove any of the Conicoplys or other Servants to be concerned in this fraud give them exemplary Punishment. If you can settle a better way to hinder this practice do it that it may be effectuall.

SIXTHLY TOUCHING FACTORS AND WRITERS, OFFICERS AND SOULDIERS AND THEIR ACCOMPTS.

65. Herewith you will receive a List signed by the Secretary of the Writers wee now send out on the Shipping before mentioned.

66. Wee gave directions in our last at large touching our Factors and Writers for keeping them to business and preserving them in a continued course of vertue which wee refer you to and expect a constant Complyance therewith in all times to come.

67. Whenever you receive any of our Covenant Servants send us in the next Packett an account of their Names, times of Arrivall and on what ships, the same wee say for our Military or other Persons entertain'd in our Service.

68. Send us annually by the shipping List of all our Councill, Merchants, Factors, and Writers under your Presidency and where they then severally are mentioning in one Column the time of their first arrivall, Station and sallary and in another Column the Station they are then in and present sallary. In the same List mention from time to time under whom the Factors and Writers are severally employed, and also in a place apart the Names of any Covenant Servants deceased or leaving the Service since the last List and when and where.

69. The account of Marriages, Births, and Burialls which you do well to send annually should be signed by your Ministers which one time or other may be necessary to make them authentick.

70. Wee often observe accounts lists of Goods wanting or wanted or remaining and severall other papers sent in the Packetts are not signed by the proper Officers, let this be amended in all times to come and write the quantitys in words at length as well as put the same in another Column in figures as wee do in our orders for Investments.

71. Wee don't understand what you mean by the swelling the Paymasters accounts mentioned in your 75[th] Paragraph above what has been usuall in the Instances of Seven hundred Sixty three Pagodos fourteen fanams disbursed out of our Cash occasioned by the Interment of the late President Addison partly on our account and partly on the deceaseds estate, and of Pagodos three hundred twenty five and thirteen fanams for provisions to the late Governour Pitt on his passage. These things should be explained and the reason given why wee ought to pay them, or what Precedents there are for it for wee can't find any, and are not for making new ones, or if a particular meritt should incline us to go out of the Common road wee think the Precedent should be setled by us here.

72. You say Mr. Roberts has refunded to the Paymaster and Steward what expended for Pallankeens boys and Table, but don't explain where that was or how it come to be disbursed out of our Cash or first born by us or on what account you got him to refund it.

73. Wee find no answer given to severall Paragraphs in our Letter by the Bouverie under this head nor to many others contain'd in that generall and others preceding it which must not be so again.

74. Herewith you will receive the Covenants to be enter'd into by Mr. Thomas Bulkely to be a Factor and the Bond to perform them which when executed return us, let the Covenants be filled up with the time of the Marlboroughs arrivall at the Fort for his commencing Factor.

75. Wee suppose on our settlement of the Councill last year for Bencoolen that Mr. Ettrick who wee find was left Deputy Governour by the Supravisor Mr. Harrison is return'd to the Fort and that he whilst at Bencoolen managed affairs there to your satisfaction; wherefore wee hereby require that he be made youngest of the Councill on the first vacancy if he has so don.

76. The Letter by the Bouverie &c^{a} Ships Paragraph 68 recommended to you Mr. Josia Cooke for your Countenance and Encouragement but you have taken no notice of it which wee dont like but do hereby reinforce that Paragraph and expect it to be obey'd as therein directed.

77. Wee have considered your 52d and 53d Paragraphs about the Souldiers Mutinying at Fort St. Davids when you ordered the reducing their pay as wee directed to the Allowance wee entertain'd them at here, wee had the same Complaint from the Bay who write us their desire that the Souldiers might be continued at their usuall pay of Ten Rupees a Month and twelve months to the year, which considering they are paid in Sicca Rupees and allow thirteen and a half per cent Batta thereon and they pay one hundred per cent advance on their Clothes reduces it very near to our contract with them here; whereupon we have agreed thereto. But as to the Officers wee have resolved they shall be reduced to the terms wee entertained them here for wee can have enough of them and have ordered if they refuse to accept those terms or pro rata if they are paid but at twelve months to the year then to dismiss them and take such as will if deserving out of the Eldest Subalterns, and if they are negligent or remiss break them, but if they have a Man of an uncommon merit and ability they may make him adjutant General and for that Service give him some reasonable allowance to make up the Loss of the Retrenchment which expedient was for the sake of such an ones extraordinary qualifications rather than loose him but not otherwise. As to your case you don't say one word what the private Centinells Standing allowance is, nor whether you made any mention of our orders to those at the Fort, neither in the Letter or Consultation is there any account of what they now have. This ought on that account to have been inserted to show wherein it differs from what wee wrote in the 58th Paragraph by the Bouverie &c^{a}. But in the Books wee find the private Europe Centinells have ninety one fanams a Month, which by the Books appears a Calendar Month and is equall to our agreement of Twenty one shillings a Month and thirteen Months to the year and therefore wee wonder what should make them Mutiny when they were not hurt. But wee find the Lieutenants have fourteen Pagodos a Month or Six pounds Six shillings, the Ensigns Ten Pagodos or Four pounds Ten shillings, the Sargeants Five Pagodos or Two pounds five shillings a Month. This is above our agreement of Four pounds to a Lieutenant, three pounds to an Ensign, and Thirty shillings to a Sargeant per Month of Thirteen Months to the year and which thô you write they will not own yet wee are sure none of them can truly disown, however, in Consideration of what alleged in their Petition and your Consultation of the 5th August wee are content for their Encouragement that you halve the difference between your allowance and our contract.

TOUCHING OUR ACCOMPTS.

78. Wee don't understand your reason for not sending the Answer to the Accomptants Letter received by the Bouverie when you had received it Six Months before. Such things ought never to be delay'd nor is the Excuse sufficient to say you will send it by the Bouverie, such papers of Consequence ought to be sent by every Conveyance. If it had come by the Frederick wee had received it, whereas for want of the Bouveries arrivall wee know as yet nothing of it.

79. Wee have paid the Bill for Five Thousand Five hundred Pagodos drawn on us to Sir Stephen Evance and Mr. Yale, Captain Harrison our now President, the third person to whom it was payable being not in England. You should always insert in your advices the dates of all Bills and when payable as well as to whom and for what reason which has been sometimes omitted.

80. In the Pacquett No. 33 wee find a paper intituled an account of what owing to the old Tobacco Farmers by Severall Persons as therein mentioned amounting to Three Thousand Six Hundred Sixty two Pagodos Eighteen fanams, but dont find any reference in the Generall Letter thereto or to what use you intended the sending it, this wee note for your taking better care hereafter.

81. Wee approve your sending by the Frederick the abstracts of Fort St. Davids Rents and Revenues and of your own account of the Mint and the Accounts of the Paymasters and the Land and Sea Customers from May to December 1710, which wee would have yearly continued, together with those others wee have directed, but wee must remark none of these except the Paymasters are Signed.

82. Your 71th Paragraph says the Metchlepatam Merchants continue their murmuring complaints of their old Debts not being paid and thereupon refer us to your Consultation of the 21st July and say no more. Wee have perused that Consultation and find that you mention receiving the Letter the Translate of which is entered and the result of all is That you think yourselves not warranted to transact that affair any otherwise than to trace the footsteps of the late Governour and buy it off by the Lump which they will not acquiesce in and there you leave it as if you were altogether unconcern'd althô by the 77th Paragraph of our Letter by the Heathcote wee had told you the concern was no more the New Companys but ours and wee had sent you Six hundred Bales of Cloth additionall to our intended outsett and that with such part of it as would be sufficient you should discharge the Merchants Claims and wee recommended to you the manner in other parts of that Paragraph and directed you to advise of the whole Result of your negotiation. Can you think by what is now mentioned you have don your Part as you should or dos it not rather Show an unaccountable Stupidity. Have you not had too much trouble and distraction already in the matter of Mr. Holcombes Debt at Vizagapatam (thô that was none of ours whereas this is and therefore of a different nature) to be fond of more from the Government which their Letter threatens you with, and if the then Governour was to continue we fear would inevitably fall upon you, on the whole make an end of that matter the best you can, taking care first to deduct all the false charges and ill Practises which those who did examine Jappa Chittees account found out in his, and wee suppose can inform you of or making an Estimate of the others in proportion to his, wee hope now this will be mannaged and concluded with dexterity and Conduct and to our satisfaction, for in Justice it ought not to be delayed from year to year. But then you need not let them know what wee write lest it should make them stiffer in their demands. If they will not accept of your proposall on these terms or such as you think equitable they will then be left without excuse.

83. What remarks our Accomptant shall make on your Accounts will be sent you by them in a Letter apart which has been perused by the Committee and wee expect as full a Complyance therewith and as much regard thereto as if herein

particularized, whereto wee refer you and only add here That you must continue your good method of sending us our accounts annually.

84. The Margining your Consultations and putting the same in the nature of an Index in the beginning of the book is well done and will be helpfull to you as well as here, but it would be much more usefull if the Secretary did rank the said Marginall notes in an alphabeticall order and under the severall Letters which the principal words of the order relate to, for Instance, if any orders were made relating to the Frederick Then in the Alphabet under F you would soon find it out, so if any orders were made for what the Secretary was to do put a short line under S expressing the Substance of that order and in what folio to find it, and the like for all other persons or things, or else to make a Generall title for each of the severall standing head Officers as President, Accomptant, Warehousekeeper, Pay Master, Collector of the Land Customs, Collector of the Sea Customs, &c^{a}: and for each Factory or Settlement you Correspond with or send orders to. And under each of these generall titles enter the substance in one line in the Alphabet of what such orders contain and at the end of it the folio they are entered in, by this means you would with a little trouble and much more dispatch presently turn to anything you want and this Index might be kept up weekly as the Consultations are entred, and the same you might do for the account of Broadcloth, Lead, and other Goods whether Europe or India which you have occasion to make orders about in Consultation, the Alphabet to a Ledger will easily show you the method.

85. Herewith you will receive a paper intituled an account of Goods wanting in severall Ships from Fort St. George deliver'd to us from the Accomptants Office and signed by the proper Officer as received from the Warehousekeeper and proved in the said Office. Do you inquire into it and see justice is don us.

86. In Fort St. George Journal H. page 107 under date of the 30th Aprill 1710 wee find Two Hundred Fifteen Pounds five shillings and six pence as paid to Mr. Fraser for Sallary as Second of Fort St. George from the 22nd August 1707 to the 17th October 1709 being Two years one month Twenty five days, whereas he acted as Second but from the 25th of September 1709 to the said 17th October, and wee paid to others that sallary all the while, which is two hundred and nine pounds Three shillings and four pence more than he ought to have received, and therefore do you take care the same be made good to us by him.

87. Wee having received for the Account of severall Persons undermentioned the value in English Money do hereby direct That on the arrival of the Marlborough at Madrass you do pay to William Harris out of her Bullion on board two hundred and fifty ounces and to Mr. Samuel Ward now going on her Three Thousand Four Hundred Seventy Eight Ounces and on the arrivall of the Kent to Mr. John Rudge Three hundred and two Ounces out of her Bullion, they being severally to run the Risco thereon, and that in Chest No. 206 on the Recovery there is packt four hundred ounces for the account of Mr. Alexander Bennett which must be delivered him when received. You are also to deliver to John Barrow Six hundred ninety Six Ounces of Bullion on the arrivall of the Kent.

88. There takes Passage on one of the Coast Ships Mr. William Nanney, Free Merchant, he is recommended to us as an able and engenious Man and at his Friends desire wee hereby direct That if you do find him so and that he is well Qualifyed to Serve us and you have occasion for him you may entertain him in our Service and if you do so advise us.

89. Wee have before mentioned the Silver sent on the Stretham for Account and on the Risco of Mr. Thomas Frederick at Fort St. George. Since then his Father has desired that in case he should be dead before he receives the produce thereof it may be invested in Dyamonds and returned for England, which wee have consented unto and do hereby acquaint you of it that you follow the orders of Thomas Frederick Esq^{r}. for Investing and returning the same.

90. Herewith you will receive the Covenants to be enter'd into by Mr. Fleet Aynsworth to be a Factor on the expiration of his Five Years being a Writer to be computed as usuall from his arrivall at Fort St. George or sooner if you find him capable and his Bond to perform them, which do you take care be executed and witnest and returned Us by the first opportunity.

Wee are Your Loving Friends,

GEORGE MATHEW.
JON^{A} ANDREWS.
EDWARD GIBBON.
JOHN FLEET.
RICHARD COOKE.
ROBERT CHILD.
NATHANIEL HERNE.
JOHN COOKE.
FRED^{K}: HERNE.
NIC^{O}: TOURTON.
JOHN EYLES.
JOHN WARD.
WM. HEWER.
WM. COTESWORTH.
PETER GODFREY.
WM. HUMFREYS.

The full Postscript was added to the Letters by the Kent & Recovery by order of Court of the 11th January viz^{t}.:

P.S.—You will by the Kent receive Covenants for Mr. John Mason now at the Fort to be a Factor at the expiration of his five years which he must execute together with the Bond to perform them, his friends having given Security here and then return the Covenants and Bond.

GENERAL LETTER TO FORT ST. GEORGE, DATED JANUARY 10, 1710–11. PER JANE.

[*Letter Book, Vol.* 14, *p.* 257. (*India Office transcript.*)]

LONDON, 10TH JANUARY, 1710–11.

OUR PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

This comes to you by the Jane Frigott on which takes passage Mr. Collett, whom we have elected Deputy Governor of York Fort, Bencoolen, and Mr. Yarborough, whom wee have appointed Second, and some others.

2. Wee have told you in our Generall Letter what wee had resolved touching Bencoolen, and that the Jane should proceed first to the Fort, That the Deputy Governor and Council should, as wee have directed them, show you our Instructions to them and leave you Copy thereof and take your further orders thereupon, which wee would have you give accordingly with such Latitude as you judge proper from the Report of Mr. Jeremy Harrison, or any other more late Advices.

3. Remember the Clause about the Janes Salt Petre, and put on board her Fourteen Tons and a half, in Lieu of the Iron Kintlage she should by Charterparty have carry'd out, but dos not; put on board also the 8 per Cent Kintlage goods in Salt petre, and if you think it proper send by her Salt petre for the Thistleworth and Todington, if there be not enough at Bencoolen for them both, for wee think they shall carry out half Kintlage in Iron thô their Charterpartys are not yet settled.

4. Consider very well the Clauses in the Bencoolen Instructions relating to the supplying the West Coast with fanams, Cloth, and Sloops and Boats for our use only, and in particular about the limiting their annuall Expences and the

keeping only Bencoolen, or that and Bentall or Settling at any other Place, and give such orders on the whole as you shall judge most effectuall for encreasing the Pepper trade and lessening our Charge and making Sumatra at last become a profitable Settlement to us. You will have heard of the Dutch attempts on the Malabar Coast and you know our loss of Benjar, which plainly shows by overt acts their endeavours to get the whole Pepper trade into their own hands, wee rest Confident you will act what shall be most for our Service.

5. If you find the Pepper Ships are not likely to be dispatcht at the West Coast in time, wee give you liberty to make an Experiment and send one of them to Benjar to procure her lading there if you think fitt. Wee shall add no further but that wee are.

Your Loving Friends,

GEO: MATHEW.
WM. SCAWEN.
NATHANIEL HERNE.
WM. BETTS.
JONATHAN ANDREWS.
RICHARD COCKE.
FRED^{k}: HERNE.
WM. COTESWORTH.
JOHN EYLES.
NIC^{o}: TOURTON.
ROBERT CHILD.
JOHN WARD.
HENRY LYELL.
JOHN GOULD.
JOHN COOKE.
S. SHEPHEARD.
EDM^{D}. HARRISON.
PETER GODFREY.
WM. DAWSONNE.

LIST OF GOODS TO BE PROVIDED AT FORT S^{T}: GEORGE &C^{A}: FOR THE SHIPS GOING OUT THIS YEAR 1711.

			Pieces
Long Cloth ...	Ordinary White ...	Fifty Thousand Pieces ...	50,000
Ditto ...	Midling ...	Ten Thousand Pieces ...	10,000
Ditto ...	Fine ...	Five Thousand Pieces ...	5,000
Sallampores...	Ordinary ...	Fifty Thousand Pieces ...	50,000
Ditto ...	Fine ...	Six Thousand Pieces ...	6,000
Ditto ...	Midling ...	Fifteen thousand Pieces ...	15,000
Percullaes ...	... ...	Three Thousand Pieces ...	3,000
Ditto ...	Fine ...	One Thousand Pieces ...	1,000
Sail Cloth ...	... ...	Two thousand [. . .] long one yard board [. . .] procured ...	2,000
Succatums ...	... ...	Five Hundred Pieces ...	500
Izzarees ...	... ...	Two Hundred Pieces ...	200
Ginghams ...	Small ...	One Thousand Pieces ...	1,000
Ditto ...	Large ...	Six Hundred Pieces ...	600
Ditto ...	Sheets ...	Five Hundred	500
Betteellees ...	Of 20 yards ...	Four Thousand Pieces ...	4,000
Ditto ...	Of 25 yards ...	Two Thousand pieces ...	2,000
Ditto ...	Oringall	Of N^{o}: 12. Four Thousand pieces.	4,000

			Pieces
Betteellees ...	...	... Stript of Variable stripes. Fifteen Hundred pieces, the stripes to be made very perfect & fine cloth.	1,500
Ditto ...	Of 12 yards	... One Thousand pieces ...	1,000
Ditto. ...	Finer	... One Thousand pieces such as those by y^{e}: Frederick.	1,000
Morees ...	...	... One Thousand pieces ...	1,000
Ditto ...	Fine	... Three Thousand pieces ...	3,000
Neckcloths ...	16 ℔ piece	... One Thousand pieces ...	1,000
Ditto	... 12 ℔ piece, None	... ...	...
Allejahs	... One Thousand pieces	... .	1,000
Calloway poose	... One Thousand pieces	... ...	1,000
Sacerguntees	... Five Hundred pieces	... ...	500
Saderuncheraes	... One Thousand pieces	... ...	1,000
Goaconcherulaes	... Four Hundred pieces	... ...	400
Chints Brampore	... Six Thousand pieces	... ...	6,000
Chints Madrass	... On a Fine Moree white ground one Thous^{d}: p^{s}:	... ...	1,000
Ditto	... On the very finest Sallampores F.1 or F.2. One Thousand pieces, White Ground.		1,000

Let the Chints be all white Ground and Painted with the best Paint, much of the same nature with y^{e}: Patterns Sent two year ago which wee are informed are done at the Fort and not at Metchlepatam.

Chints Metchlepatam ...	Finely painted on white Ground. Five Hundred pieces	500
Romalls Sacerguntees ...	Three Thousand pieces	3,000
Ditto Bengall ...	Five Hundred pieces	500

Red wood. As much as will Dunnidge the Ships and no more, Or if the Captains will Dunnidge with Canes or Rattans then abate for so far of that part of the six ℔ cent Dunnidge.

Salt Petre. According to Kentlage and directions in y^{e}: Generall Letter [. . . .] must pursue this Investment in proportion to the [. . . .] Tonnage you shall dispatch home. [. . . .]coes from Fort S^{t}: Davids are very much [. . . .] price and worse Goods than those from [. . . .] particularly the Salampores N^{o}: 1 & 2. which [. . .] forty ℔ Cent in the proffitt from those of the same [. . .] Madrass, The Midling N^{o}: 1. differs fifty ℔ cent. The fine No. 1 & 2 differ a great deal more, therefore unless these be bought cheaper wee must forbear sending for any from that place.

Send no Browne Cloth any more unless you are directed from hence or without the last necessity.

Wee observe for your government, that most if not all sorts of Goods were formerly bought much cheaper. Wee find the Goods by late ships have five ℔ cent abatement which is well, but wee hope by good mannagement the same may be bought cheaper and better in their goodness.

Wee find that Bettellees of twenty and twenty five yards from Madrass which did formerly exceed Fort S^{t}: Davids in goodness have now very much lost their creditt but those from Fort S^{t}. Davids are much better than formerly.

LONDON 4TH. DECEMR: 1711.

INVOICE OF BULLION AND MERCHANDIZE LADEN ON THE SHIP STRETHAM BURTHEN 350 TONS HARRY GOUGH COMMANDER AND BOUND FOR CANTON IN CHINA AND IS CONSIGNED TO MESSRS: JAMES PENRICE, EDWARD VANE, AND CAPT: HARRY GOUGH SUPRA CARGOES OF THE SAID SHIP VIZT.

Stationary Ware 1 box N°: S 1 cost				£	12	8	6
Scales Weights N°: 1 to 5					27	13	7
Lead 1634 Slabs wt:—2207-1-27 at 10/ 3 6					1,158	18	5
Silver 43 Ches: Vizt:							
40 Cruzadoes contS.	oz.	139,520	...				
1 Pillar pS: 8/8	„	3,488	...				
2 Duccatoons	„	7,117	8				
43 chests qt:	oz.	150,125	8 at [. . .]	[. . .]	037	12	5
Fresh Provisions allow'd the supra Cargos			[. . .]	£ [. . .]	00	...	...
				[. . .]	36	12	11.
Charges [. . .]				[. . .]	31	13	8
				[. . .]	6s	6	7

Memorandum.

That Thomas Frederick Esqr: has paid [. . .] for 3479 Ounces of foreign Silver which he is to have out of this ships stock to be invested in Gold and consigned to his son Thomas Frederick at Fort St: George.

That Capt: Harry Gough has paid into the Companies Treasury Six Hundred pounds for which he is to bee concerned in this ships stock, the Produce to be paid him at Fort St: George.

LONDON 7TH: DECEMR: 1711.

Memorandum.

That Mr: James Penrice has paid into the Campanies Treasury One thousand pounds for which he is to be concerned in this ships stock as Capt: Gough above.

That Mr: Edward Vane has paid Eight hundred pounds as Capt: Gough above.

Brot: Downe			£	46,568	6 7
Canary 4 chts: qt: 45 chts: 10 Bottles is 1 Pipe.	£ 59	2 6			
Charges Chests Bottles &cS:	10	15 10			
				69	18 4
			£	46,638	4 11

SAMUL WATERS, ACCOUNTT: GENERAL.

LIST OF GOODS TO BE PROVIDED IN CHINA FOR FORT ST: GEORGE BY THE SUPRA CARGO'S OF THE STRETHAM.

		PECULL
Tappan Copper.	Two Thousand Pecull	2,000
	In this article you must be guided by the freshest advices of the markett upon the Coast which you are likely to know at Maccao if you have opportunity of enquiry	

		Pecull
Tappan Copper.	there. And if there is no ship from the Coast at Canton you may venture on Five hundred or one Thousand Chests more unless you [. . . or] the Price is fallen which was January [. . .] twelve month at Fort S^{t}: George Sixty [. . .]dy or thereabouts you must [. . . .] any copper but right Tapan unless [. . . .] to be had at Fifteen ℔ Cent [. . . .]	
Tootenague	Two thousand to Two hundred Pecull [. .] If to be had at or about [. . . .]ill if not you must guide your [. . . .]ces you can get from the Coast both [. . . .] tity and the Price. It was a falling [. . [. January last was twelve months and a large quantity expected the Price is govern'd by the Bay Markett of which you will have Information at Batavia.	2,000 to 2,500
Sugar	One thousand Five hundred Pecull ... unless you are discouraged by certain advices that the coast markett will not do.	1,500
Sugar Candy	Four Hundred Pecull ... ... will always do if sugar holds up at Ten to Twelve Pagodas the Candy.	400
Allom	Five Hundred Pecull unless you hear that allom will not sell	500
Camphire	Fifty Pecull ... ... If to be had at or about Fourteen Tale the Pecull will always turn to account.	50
Quick Silver & Vermillion.	& } were at Sixty Pagodas & upwards the Pecull in January last was twelve months if you find the Price holds up Fifty Pecull of each may do very well.	each 50

The Chief of your Cargo is to be laid out in Gold. If by any newer advices you shall learn any of the abovementioned Comoditys are cheaper or Dearer at Fort S^{t}: George than usuall We leave it to your Prudence to buy up more or less of any of them than we have directed as you shall judge most for our Service.

East India House, London,
the 4th: Decem^{r}: 1711.

Signed by order of the Court of Directors.

List of Writers entertained for Fort S^{t}: George of which y^{e}: underwritten go on the following ships.

Samuell Ward	Writer	on the Marlborough
John Richardson ...	Writer	on the Marlborough
John Sanderson	Writer	on the Kent
Peter Tahourdin ...	Writer	on the Kent
John Barrow	Writer	on the Kent
Richard Harrison ...	Writer	hath not [. . .]
Francis Barnard ...	Writer	on the Marlborough
George Tullie	Writer	on [. . .]
Thomas Wright	Writer	on [the Marlborou]gh
James Hubbard	Writer	on [the Marlborou]gh
Free Merchants	George	

William Nanney on the Marlborough
William Wake on the Marlborough

The above is List of the Severall Writers entertain'd by the Court of Directors and Free Merchants who take their Passage on the ships abovemention'd.

EAST INDIA HOUSE,

THO: WOOLLEY
THE 9TH: JANUARY 1711. Secry:

A MANIFEST OF GOODS MERCHANDIZE AND FORRN. SILVER LYCENSED BY THE COMITTEE OF SHIPPING OF THE COURT OF DIRECTORS TO BE LADEN ON BOARD THE SHIP MARLBOROUGH CAPT: MATHEW MARTIN COMANDER BY THE SEVERAL PERSONS, VIZT:

CAPT: MATHEW MARTIN COMDR:

11 chests of Wine Value [. . .]

M. M. No: 21 @ 23	3 chests Syder qt: 12 dozn: each	[. . .]				
1 @ 10	10 chests Wine qt:	Do:	[. . .]			
13, 15, 17, 18.	5 chests ale	Do:	[. . .]			
M. R. 1 @ 3	3 chests Wine	Do:	[. . .]			
M. W. 4. 5	2 chests Wine qt: 13 dozn: 4 box	[. . .]				
R. M. 1 @ 4	4 Hampers Wine qt: 3 dozn: each	[. . .]				
1 @ 4	4 Hampers Beer Do:	[. . .]				
M.	4 chests Wine qt: 12 dozn: each	[. . .]				
M. M. 1. 2	2 Fatts Hatts					
R. M. 1	1 Fatt Hatts	Do:		28	0	0
2	1 Box Hatts					
3	1 Box Hatts					
directed	1 Box Tellescopes	Do:		16	0	0
M. M. 1. 2	2 cases Looking Glasses	Do:		45	0	0
H.	1 Box Hatts	Do:		6	0	0
1 @ 4	4 cases Flint Glasses	Do:		15	0	0
5	1 case Drinking Glasses	Do:		21	0	0
M. M. D.	1 small Case qt: Saddles	Do:		25	10	0
			£	436	10	0

on the 5 ℔ cent Tonage allowed ℔ charter pty: to himselfe, officers and Seamen and on his allowance ℔ Indulgence.

MRS: KATHERINE WOOLLEY.

E. B. 1 case of Pickles
Freight Free being for the use of Mr: Edward Bulkley at Fort St: George.

MR: JOHN GILBERT.

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33 No: 1 1 chest of Syder
1 Cask of Do: or Beer
Freight Free for Mr: Bernard Benion

Mr: NATHL: TURNER TO HIS SON NATHANIEL WRITER AT FORT ST: DAVID.

[. . .] [. . .] case qt: 2 saddles are furneture &
[. . .] eating apparrel
[. . .] Gun Freight free.

MR: DANIEL GRIFFIN SURGEON.

D. G. 1 @ 3 3 chests of Beer qt: 12 dozn: Each value £ 12 on the 5 ℔ cent & Indulgence.

Cap^{t}: Mathew Martin.

M. M. 1	1 chest of Cutlery Wares: Value	£ 53
H.	1 case of Hatts D^{o}:	38
	1 Box of hose D^{o}:	22
	1 case of Millinery Wares D^{o}:	50
		163

on the 5 ℔ cent & Indulgence.

M^{rs}: Eliz Faulknet to Brother M^{r}: Edw^{d} Bulkley.

1 Large chest q^{t}.
1 Box wth: a Lantern
2 Small Boxes wth: Glass Sconces
1 Bird Cage
2 Perugues
1 Little Box wth: Cupping Glasses
16 Pair shoos, 6 Caps.
2 Silver hilted swords
1 Box wth: Physick
1 Box of Glasses
1 case q^{t}: 4 bottles wth: Pease and [. . .]
1 Box wth: a Hatt
Freight Free

M^{r}: Will^{m}: Wake [...]

W. ¶ W. N^{o}:	2	1 chest of Wine q^{t}: 14 doz^{n}: [qut . . .]
	5	1 case of Brandy
	6	1 case of Pickles
	4	1 chest of aparrel and Necessarys
	3	1 chest of Necessarys
	1	1 chest of Beer

Free of Freight being for his use in the Voyage.

M^{r}: Francis Barnard Writer

F. B.	1. 2	2 chests of Beer q^{t}: 12 doz^{n}: qut: bott each
	3	1 Hamper of Beer q^{t}: 3 doz^{n}:
	4	1 chest of wearing aparrel
	5	1 case of Brandy
	6. 7. 8	3 cheeses in Lead
	9	1 Box Bedding

Free of Freight.

M^{r}: Roger Bradyle

E. H.	4 chests of Beer q^{t}: 12 doz^{n}: qu^{t}: bott: Each
No. 1 @ 3	3 chests of Wine q^{t}: D^{o}:
5 @ 9	5 chests of Wine q^{t}: D^{o}:

all Free of Freight but 2 Tons & ¼ on w^{ch}: he has paid 22$^{£}$: 10^{s} for Freight being for Gov^{r}: Harrison at Fort S^{t}: George.

Nathaniel Herne Esq^{r}:

1 Box of wearing- aparrell & small Necessarys
Freight Free being for the use of M^{r}: Thomas Frederick.

M^{r}: James Hubbard

1 chest of aparrel
1 case of Brandy
1 case of Brandy
[. . .] 1 Barrel q^{t}: 2 cheeses
[. . .] 1 chest of Wine and Beer q^{t}: 12 doz^{n}: qu^{t}: both
4 1 Bundle of Bedding
all Free of Freight being for his use in the Voyage.

M^{r}: Moses Blew.

XX 1 @ 5 5 cases of Boxes q^{t}: Rough Coral
6 1 case or Box q^{t}: Polished Coral
7. 8 2 cases of Boxes q^{t}: Coral Beads
9 1 case q^{t}: Amber
O[^{n}] which he has paid 83$^{£}$: 2^{s}: ^{d}for Freight and Permission.

Ex^{p}: Tho: Lewes

M^{r}: Michael Emerson

M. E. No. 1 2 half chests of Wine
2 1 chest of Wearing aparrel and Necessarys
3 1 Bundle of Bedding
1 cask of cheese q^{t}: 1 Cw^{t}:
All Free of Feright being for his own use in the Voyage.

M^{r}: Francis Salvadore

F. S. 1 1 Box of Branch Coral, Coral B [. . .]
on w^{ch}: he has paid 4$^{£}$. 16^{s}. 6^{d} for [. . .]
Freight and Permission.

James Wallis Esq^{r}:

J. E. 4 Cask 8 halfe hhd^{s}: of Strong Beer [. . .]
4 for M^{r}: John Emerson at Fort [. . .]
M. E. 4 for M^{r}: Machael Emerson [. . .]
both Writers.

M^{r}: Nanny Free M^{r}: ch^{t}:

W 1 1 Hamper of Beer
2 1 chest of Beer
3 1 halfe D^{o}:
6 1 chest q^{t}; cheese, sugar, Brandy and necessarys
1 1 Box of Linnin and necessarys being for his own use in the Voyage.

Free of Freight.

East India house

Lond^{n}: 17th: Jan^{ry}: 1711 Tho: Lewes.

A Manifest of Goods Merchandize and Forr^{n}: Silver Lycensed by the Comittee of Shipping of the Court of Directors to be Laden on Board the ship Kent Cap^{t}: Lawrance Minter comander by the Several Persons Viz^{t}:

M^{r}: George Bews

R. C. 1 chest of medicines
Freight Free being for the use of
M^{r}: R^{d}: Chadsley surgeon at Fort S^{t}: George

Cap^{t} : Lawrance Minter

L. M. N^{os} :	1 @ 8	8 Chests of Wine		Value.	[. . .]	
	9 @ 13	5 halfe chests of Wine				
	14 @ 18	5 chests of Wine				
	19 @ 20	2 chests of Wine q^{t} : 8 doz^{n} : Each				
	21	1 chest of Wine q^{t} : 4 doz^{n} : bott.				
		2 halfe hhd^{s} :	d^{o} :			
	1 @ 4	4 chests of Beer	D^{o} :		16	... ...
		1 cask of cutlary ware	L^{o} :		30	... ...
H		1 small Box 1 case ... } Hatts	D^{o} :		50	... ...
		1 Large case Drinking Glasses	D^{o} :		16	... ...
	1 @ 2	2 Cases q^{t} : 2 Clocks				
		1 case q^{t} : a a weather Glass	D^{o} :		30	... ...
		1 small Box of Hatts	D^{o} :		36	... ...
		1 Large chest of snuff	D^{o} :		50	... ...
		on the 5 ℔ Cent and Indulgence.			£ 388	10 ...

S^{r} : Will^{m} : Wither Kn^{t} : & Ald^{en} :

W. H.	N^{o} : 1	1 chest of Wine	q^{t} 12 doz^{n} : qu^{t} : bott Each
W. B.	2	1 chest of Wine	D^{o} :
F. W.	3	1 chest of Wine	D^{o} :

Free of Freight (℔ ord^{r} : Court) being for his son at F: S^{t} : George.

Mad^{m} : Francis Harrison to her Husband Presid^{t} : at Fort S^{t} : Geo.

E. H.	N^{o} : 6. 7. 8	3 chests of Syder 10 doz^{n} : qu^{t} : bott.		
	5	1 chest of Beer q^{t} : 15 doz^{n} :	D^{o} :	since ord^{d}. ℔ Marlborough
	9 @ 14	6 chests of Wine q^{t} : 12 doz^{n} :	D^{o} :	
	15 @ 18	4 chests of Wine q^{t} : 10 doz^{n} :	D^{o} :	
	19 @ 22	4 cases Cases q^{t} : 6 Glass Lanterns		
	1	1 Box of Powder and wash balls		
	2	1 chest of Medicines		
		3 cheeses in Lead		
		5 Boxes Minced meat		

Free of Freight.

M^{r} ? Lancelot Skynner 3^{d} : M^{t} :

[. . .]	1 cask of Pewter	Value	£ 9
	1 chest of Wine	D^{o} :	10
	1 chest of Beer	D^{o} :	4
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on the 5 ℔ Cent and Indulgence.

M^{r} : Peter

P. T.	1 · 2	2 cheeses in Lead	
		1 Sea chests q^{t} : wearing aparrel	
		Free of Freight	

M : John Freeman

T. C.	2	1 chest of Wine q^{t} : 12 doz^{n} : qu^{t} : bott.	
	1	1 chest of Beer q^{t} :	D^{o} :
		1 halfe hhds. of Beer	
E. P.	1. 2.	2 Small cases q^{t} : 12 Pictures	
		Free of Freight being for the use of M^{r} : Tho. Cook one of the Factors at Fort. S^{t} : George.	

M^{R}. Robert Nightingale.

R. N. N°. 1. 2. 2 chests of Wine q^{t}: 10 doz^{n}: qu^{t}: bott each
1 Box of potted Meat.
1 Box of Marmalate
Free of Freight being for the use of M^{r}: Adams on the Councel at Bengal.

M^{R}: John Barrow Writer.

I. B. 1 1 chest of Wine q^{t}: 12 doz^{n}: qu^{t}. bott.
2 1 chest of aparrel and Necessarys
1 Bundle of Bedding
I. B. 3 1 chest of Beer q^{t}: 12 doz^{n}:
Freight Free.

M^{R}: Will^{M}: Burr [. . .]

M. C. 1 small Box q^{t}: a few Wearing aparrel for the use of M^{rs}: Mary Cooper at Fort S^{t}: George. Free of Freight.

M^{R}: Samuel Surmon.

F. & S. 1 @ 2. 2 chests of Wine q^{ts}: 22 doz^{n}: qu^{t}: bott.
3. 1 chest of Wine being for the use of his son in the Secretarys office at Fort S^{t}: George. Free of Freight.

Nathaniel Herne Esq^{R}:

N. H. 1. 2. 3. 3 chests of Beer q^{t}: 11 doz^{n}: 4 bott each
4. 1 halfe chest of Beer q^{t}: 5 doz^{n}: qu^{t}: bott each
Free of Freight being for the use of M^{r}: Thomas Frederick one of the Council at Fort S^{t}: George.

M^{R}: Shipnan

I. & R. No. 1 @ 4. 4 chests of Wine q^{t}: 12 doz^{n}: qu^{t}: bott Each
1 Box of Wearing aparrel
Free of Freight being for the use of M^{r}: Robt: Raworth Dep^{ty}: Gov^{r}: at Fort S^{t}: David.

M^{R}: Samuel Perry

I. P. 2 1 Box q^{t}: a feu Hatts and wearing aparrel and other Necessarys.
1 1 Case of Pickles
Free of Freight being for the use of his son a Writer at Fort S^{t}: George.

M^{R}: Samuel Lock.

[. . .] [. . .] chests q^{t}: in each 12 doz^{n}: qu^{t}: bott Claret
Free of Freight being for the use of M^{r}: Bernard Bynion at Fort S^{t}: George.

John Rudge Esq^{R}:

[. . .] 2 small chests q^{t}: 3 doz^{n}: qu^{t}: bott of Wine in Each.
Free of Freight being for the use of M^{r}: Tho: Rudge at Fort S^{t}: George.

M^{R}: Daniel King.

H. S. 1. 2. 2 small chests of Wine q^{t}: 6 doz^{n}: qu^{t}: bott on which he has paid £ 4. for Freight into the Comp^{a}: Treasury being for M^{r}: Sherley at Fort S^{t}: George.

M^{R}: Alvaro Mandes.

£. s. d.

F. M. 1. 2. 3. 3 cases of Snuff on w^{ch}: he has paid 11–13–4 for Freight and Permission.

Major Gen^{LL}: Davenport.

H. D, No. 1. 2. 3. 3 chests of Beer q^{t}: 10 doz^{n}: qu^{t}: bott each.
Free of Freight being for the use of his Brother M^{r}: Henry Davenport at Fort S^{t}: George.

William Steuart Esq^{R}: Sheriff & Ald^{rm}:

E. B. S 1 chest of Beer qu^{t}: 12 doz^{n}: qu^{t}: bott.
Free of Freight being for the use of M^{r}: Edw^{d}: Buckley at Fort S^{t}: George.

Thomas Pitt Esq^{R}:

B. B. 1. 2. 2 chests of Pickles
1 @ 4. 4 cases of Looking Glasses and Sc [. . .]
5. 6. 2 halfe chests of wine q^{t}: 6 doz^{n}: [qu^{t} bott: each]
7. 1 Box with 3 Perriwigg and [. . .]
1 @ 3. 3 Casks, Beer.
4. 1 Cask, Beer.
5. 1 cheese and Tub.
6. 1 p^{r}: Virginal's
Free of Freight being for the use of M^{r}: Bernard Binion.

M^{r}: Roger Bradyle.

G; L. 1 @ 3. 3 chests of Wine of 11 doz^{n}: qu^{t}: bott each.
Free of Freight being for the use of M^{r}: Geo: Lewis Minister at Fort S^{t}: George.

Nathaniel Herne Esq^{R}:

T. F. 1 small Box q^{t}: a few wearing clothes.
I. M. 1 Small Box q^{t}: a Perugue, 3 p^{r}: Stockings and Triming for a suite of Clothes being for the use of M^{r}: Tho: Frederick and M^{r}: John Morgan at Fort S^{t}: George.

M^{R}: Marcus Moses.

M. M. N^{o}. 1 1 Box q^{t}: Coral Beads small Emralds and 2 pearls value £792: on w^{ch}: he has paid £15–16–10 for Freight and Permission.

M^{R}: Rich^{D} Hodgson.

R. F. 1 1 Small chest of wearing aparrel.
Freight Free being for the use of M^{r}: Rich^{d}: Farmer at F: S^{t}: Davids.

M^{R}: Francis Cassaris.

[. . .] 1 small Box of Snuff Value £8: on w^{ch}: he has p^{d}. £1–8 for Freight and Permission being for the use of [. . .] Almanzo at F: St. George.

JOSEPH MARTIN ESQ^{R}:

a Case q^{t}: shoos, Head dresses and a sword.
Free of Freight being for the Use of his Son M^{r}: W^{m}: Martin at F: S^{t}: George.

M^{R}: HALL.

I. H. 1 — 1 Small Box q^{t}: a Hatt and p^{r}: of Bellows.
Free of Freight being for the Use of his Brother at F: S^{t}: George.

M^{R}: COBB.

R. I. Directed. — 1 Small Box q^{t}: a perugue, Gloves and small Necessarys.
Freight Free being for the Use of the Rever^{d}: M^{r}: Rob^{t}. Jones, Minister at F: S^{t}. George.

M^{R}: CHRISTOPHER BOON

C. B. — 1 small Box q^{t}: Stationary wares being for the use of M^{r}: Cha: Boon in Bengall Freight. Free.

M^{R}: WILL^{M}. WAHUP

G. Wahup No. 1 — 1 Box, q^{t} wearing aparrel and Books being for the use of his son M^{r}: Geo: Wahup. Writer at Fort S^{t}: George. Freight Free.

THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R}.

1 Small Case q^{t}. about a H^{d}. of Sc [. . .] in remnants being presents to [. . .] and M^{r}. Binion at Fort S^{t}. George.

JOSEPH ADDISON.

I. A. — 1 Small Box q^{t}. Several Writers [. . .] Directed to Gov^{r}. Harrison.
Freight Free.

M^{r}. THOMAS CLOGIE.

H. 1. — 1 case of Hatts, paper and Quills being for the Use of M^{r}. Henry Jolly at F. S^{t}. George he having p^{d}. £ 1-5 for Freight.

THO: LEWES.

A MANIFEST OF GOODS MERCHANDIZE AND FORR^{N}. SILVER LYCENSED BY THE COMITTEE OF SHIPPING OF THE COURT OF DIRECTORS TO BE LADEN ON BOARD THE SHIP RECOVERY CAP^{T} JOSEPH BEALE COMANDER BY THE SEVERAL PERSONS VIZ^{T}.

CAP^{T}. JOSEPH BEALE COMD^{r}.

I.B. No. 1 @ 16. — 16 chests Wine q^{t}. 12 doz^{n}. each value [. . .]
4 @ 8. — 5 chests Wine D^{o}. [. . .]
c. — 2 Cases Sword Blades [. . .]
1 Box of Hatts [. . .]

j. 1 Cask of Corks [. . .]
on the 5 ℔ Cent Tonage all [. . .]
charter p^{ty}. to himselfe officers [. . .]
Seamen and on his allowance ℔ [. . .]

M^{r}. Dudly Ryder 3^{d} M^{t}.

D. R. 1. 1 chest of Wine q^{t}. 12 doz^{n}. qu^{t}. bott.
2 @ 3. 2 halfe chests of Wine q^{t}. 6 doz. qu^{t}. bott each.
4 @ 5. 2 halfe chests of Beer D^{o}.
on the ℔ Cent and Indulgence.

M^{r}. Edward Revet Purser.

E. R. 1. 1 chest of Wine q^{t}. 12 doz. qu^{t}. bott value £ 10
5 Hampers of Wine q^{t}. 4 doz^{n}. qu^{t}. bott each 18
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On the 5 ℔ Cent and Indulgence.

East India House,
Lond^{n} 17th January 1711.

Exam^{D}. Tho. Lewes.

Know all men by these Presents That I am held firmly bounden unto The United Company of Merchants of England Trading to the East Indies in the Summe of
(Mem^{d}. this is double the Value) of good and Lawfull money of Great Britain to be paid unto the said United Company or their certain Attorney or Successors To the which payment well and truly to be made I bind myself my Heirs Executors and Administrators firmly by these Presents Sealed with [my seal] dated the day of in the [. . .] Lord and in the [. . .] of the Reign of our Sovereign Lady [. . .] Grace of God of Great Britain Fra [. . .]een Defender of the Faith &c^{a}.

Whereas The Court of [Directors . . .] named United Company of Merchants of England [. . .] the East Indies have lycenced the above bounden to send on the Ship Captain Commander to in the East Indies the following Goods and Merchandizes Viz^{t}. (which must be Corall, Corall Beads, Amber, Amber Beads, Pearl, Emeraulds or any Sort of Precious Stones or Such of them as each Person thinks proper to Send and is to be here inserted) all which Goods and Merchandizes are designed for in the East Indies to be Sold there and the produce thereof returned in Dyamonds, Dymond Boart, Musk, Amber greece, or Bezoar stones and in no other Goods whatsoever upon the Termes Settled by the said Court of Directors Now the Condition of this Obligation is such That if the said his Executors Administrators or Assign's do and shall consign the said to the Prsid^{t}. (or Generall) of the said Company at aforesaid together with any other Person or Persons he shall think fitt and do allow the said President two Pounds ten shillings ℔ Cent Commission for the same and also if the Dutys usually payable or such commoditys at aforesaid on their Importation there be duly paid for the said Goods and if the produce of the said Goods shall be returned to Great Britain on the Ship or Ships employed in the Service of the Said United Company in Dyamonds or any other the Commoditys aforementioned and brought into the Treasury of the said Company here in London in order to be sold at the Said Companys candle the danger of the Seas and other unavoidable accidents excepted Then this obligation to be void and of none Effect or else to remain and be in full force and Virtue.

AN ACCOUNT OF CORALL &C^{A}. LADEN ON BOARD THE FOLLOWING SHIPS BY Y^{E}.

PERSONS UNDERMENTION'D.

ON THE MARLBOROUGH.

BY MOSES BLEW.

Eight Chests Rough Corall Branch Corall and corall Beads Valued at		£ 2,713-8-9	
One Box cont^{a}. Rough Amber Valued at ...		92-5-0	£ 2,805-13-9

BY FRANCIS SALVADORE.

One Box cont^{a}.	309 Oz^{s}. Corall Branches valu'd at [. . .]	[. . .]	1-0
	8½ Oz^{s}. Corall Beads valu'd at [. . .]	[. . .]	15-0
	121 Oz^{s}. Amber Beads valu'd at [. . .]	[. . .]	4-0 £ 127-0-0

BY HENRY [. . .]

One Box cent^{a}.	Corall valued at [. . .]	5:	
	Corall Beads valued at [. . .]	13: 3	
	Emeraulds Valued at [. . .]	10: 9	
	Ditto Valued at	£ 154: 17: 0	£ 309: 6: 0

ON THE KENT

BY ALVARO MENDES

	lb.	
Three Boxes Snuff cont^{a}. 500 w^{t}. Valud at		£ 100-0-0

BY FRANCIS DE CASSARES

	lb	
One Box cont^{a} 40 w^{t}. Snuff valud at		£ 8-0-0

BY MARCUS MOSES.

One Box cont^{a}: corall Beads Small Emeraulds and Pearles Valud at	£ 792: 0: 0

BY JOSUAH GOMEZ SERRA.

One Chest Cont^{a}: 1428 oz^{s}: of Corall Toro Value ...	£	285 12	0
Four Bundles of Corall Beads cont^{a}: 540 oz^{s}: ...	£	243 0	0
One Bundle large Ditto cont^{a}: 113 Do.	£	113 13	0
		£ 647: 5:	0

ON THE MARLBOROUGH.

BY JOSEPH GOMEZ SERRA

	lb.	
Two Chests Cont^{a}: 472 of Rough Corall valued at		£ 613: 12: 0

ACCOUNTANTS LETTER TO FORT S^{T}: GEORGE DATED JANUARY 9, 1711. [*Public Despatches from England, Vol.* 16, *pp.* 85–89.]

TO OUR PRESIDENT AND
COUNCIL AT FORT S^{T}: GEORGE.

1. Our last to you was by the Bouverie and S^{t}: George under date of the 9th: of Janry. 1709. to which wee have rec^{d}: no answer, since wee own to have received the following books of Accounts from you Viz^{t}:

Fort S^{t}: George General Books	[. . .]	April 1708
	[. . .]	Ditto 1709
	[. . .]	Ditto 1710

Fort S^{t}: David's Gener^{l}: Books	[. . .]	April 1705
	[. . .]	Ditto 1708
	[. . .]	Ditto 1709
	[. . .]	Ditto 1710
Vizagapatam Gen'r^{l}: Books	[. . .]	Ditto 1708
G	[. . .]	30 Ditto 1709
H	[. . .]	30 Ditto 1710

2. Wee want Vizagapatam Book C beginning 1st: May 1704 & ending the 30 April 1705. In your Journal H. page 131. in the ballance of the Account you make W^{m}: Martin & Rob^{t}: Raworth as Warehouskeepers D^{r}: but Pag^{o}: 1846–35–5 but in the Leger F^{o}: [14] they are D^{r}: Pag^{o}: 12526–26. It is strange that those two Gentlemen should signe the Journal and not mind their own accounts were right unless it were done to conceal their having paid no part of Pago^{s}: 12526–26. From Jany. 1708 to April 1710 which is about 15 months, such vast sums of mony ought not to lye in the Warehouskeepers hands but to be paid into cash as soon as Received.

3. You make in your books G. the ballance of what Remains at Fort S^{t}: Davids to be Pag^{o}: 135213–20–1 & they in the Ballance of their books G. makes their remains to be but 120094-5-1½.

4. You make in your books G. the ballance likewise of what remains at Vizagapatam to be Pag^{o}: 23586–21. & they in the ballance of their books G. makes their remains to be but Pag^{o}: 20954–3.

5. These accounts ought by you to be made agree for if you regularly Debt them for what sent & credit them for what received, and likewise take care when you receive their books to see that they Debt & Credit you right then the Company cannot be injured, pray take care in the next books to make those Acco^{ts}: Currants agree and advise how the Difference comes to be.

6. For the future instead of Crediting the Factories of Fort S^{t}: Davids and Vizagapatam for the Foot of their Profit and Loss, wee would have you Debt them for the gain on Goods and Credit them for the charge of those Factories, then the charge of those places will be seen at once.

7. Priaman Settlement Stands a D^{r}: in the ballance of your books Pag^{o}: 192520–11–2 we would have you settle that Acco^{t}. which we hope you will be enabled to do by what accounts you have rec^{d}: from those Persons whom you sent to inspect their affairs, and for the future direct them to send you their books Yearly.

8. Wee do not find the charge of Fort S^{t}: Davids & Vizagapatam as we wrote to you 9th: Janry 1709. any Ways retrenched Viz^{t}: [. . .] & Servants wages at Fort S^{t}: Davids from the 1st: May [. . .] to the 30th April 1709 is Pag^{o}: 1454½–25–1

[. . . .]es as by Vizagapatam book$_{s}$ F. Pagodos: 1794–20–4
[. . .] Vizagapatam books G. 2093–6–2
[. . .]ive but that great part of the said charges are [. . .] therefore the President ought to Examine [. . .] whether nothing can be saved which will [. . .] service.

9. Wee find in your books F. you Disburse Pagodos 1106–20–3 for necessaries furnished the ship President with all and for Wages paid the Master and Seamen and in books G. Pag^{o}: 2361–35–5 for the like occasions wich together makes Pag^{o}: 3468–20–2 and you receive in April 1709 Pag^{o}: 3439 for Freight and Demorage of the said Ship to Tonqueen which is not so much as the charge the Company was at without any money allowed for Interest of what Imprest them on acco^{t}: of wages and Stores, or for the weare and Teare of the Ship, pray when you make any such other Entry in your Jornal be particular Viz^{t}: How many Tons the ship is and how many lett for, at what Rate ℔ Ton and how much the Freight amo^{ts}: to, how many Days Demorage you were allowed, at what Rate a day and what the whole Demorage amo^{ts}: to which is the True way in keeping the bookes.

10. Wee find that the Disbursements on acco^{t}: of the Madapollam Yatch and the Rising Sun Smack are more then the Freight of the Goods amounts to, which they bring from Fort S^{t}: Davids, Vizagapatam and other places.

11. Wee find at the close of your Bookes G. Ending the 30th April 1709 the following Debts Standing out Viz^{t}:

Pag^{o}	fan.	cash.	
34	4	2	Nino the Carpenter had Pagodos 120 advanced him in August 1702: hath delivered Country Match to the vaulue of Pag^{o}: 85–31–4.
685	30	...	Serapa &c^{a}: Farmer of the Towne Rents from June 1704.
44	15	4	Quolla Molla for Pag^{o}: 14–15–4 advanced him by the Old Company and 30 more y^{e}: 30 Nov^{r}: 1703 to provide Blackstone.
1	4	3	Rob^{t}: Raworth ball^{a} [. . .] Stores Sold in April 1705.
400	...	...	Combee Videe & [. . .] Nov^{r}: 1704 & April 1705.
...	8	3	Robert Raworth [. . .]
1716	18	3	King of Cochin [. . .] of Sloope Diana from [. . .]
1300	...	...	Peter de Pomera [. . .] Farmers for Rent due the 15 [th] March 1708.
1592	27	2	William Martin Sea Customer from Janry 1702.
11783	12	...	Ponagette Narso &c^{a}: Tobacco and Bettle Farmers due y^{e}: 17 [th] Dec^{r}: 1709 at Pag^{a}: 7000 ℔ annum.
114	7	2	Perah powder maker
238	27	...	Diego & Co: for the Fishing Farme at Pag^{o}: 50 ℔ annum due the 30 [th] April 1709.
400	...	...	Peter Pomera Farmer of the Wine Licence.
30	...	...	Maria Pois for a years rent of y^{e}: Compa^{a}: Garden, due 27 [th] May Anno: 1709.
474–4–1			Mortee & Co, Washers for Paddy dl^{a}: them in Octo^{r}: & Febry. 1708.
25720–1–1			Colloway & Vincattee Chittees.
4–31			... Robert Raworth Paymaster.
8–4			... Gulston Addison Paymaster.
1843–27–2			Thomas Frederick Sea Customer.
1203–22–2			Richard Hunt Land Customer.
972–29–5			Henry Davenport Storekeeper.
52–23			... Kisnapa Conicoply for Scavengers Duty collected by him w^{ch} he Ran away with.
3483–12			... Gruapa &c^{a}: Arrack Farmers from 15 March 1708/9 at 3800 Pag^{o}: ℔ Annum.
1750			... Colloway & Vincattee Chittee Farmer of Egmore &c^{a}: town[e] from 1st: July 1708 at 1750 Pag^{o}: ℔ Annum.
1200			... Colloway & Vincattee Farmers of Trivil &c^{a}: 5 towns from 16 Octo^{r}: 1708 at 1200 Pag^{s}: ℔ annum.
200			... Simon Lipatrick & Lewis Melique Farmers of the Wine Licence from 25[th] March 1709 at Pag^{o}: 200.

Several of the Debts aforementioned are of a long Standing & were advised you of in our Former Letter to which we have yet received no answer but hope when your answer comes it will advise us of the occasion thereof and Several other Debts are contracted since which we hope you will not be wanting in your Endeavours to Recover.

12. Debts standing out in Fort S^{t}: Davids Books G. ending the 30th: April 1709 which we direct you to remind them of Viz^{t}.

[...] Due from Manuel Cordero from 20th: Nov^{r}: 1708.
[...] Manuel Gonsalvus Punch house Renter from June 1708.
[...] odanage Redde &c^{a}: Renters from April 1708.
[...]ella Perrea from April 1706.
[...]amanada Powderman you pay him as appears by [...] Books F. & G. Pag^{o}: 60 and he delivered Gunpowder to the Value of Pag^{o}. 38–18–4. You ought not to advance such a man mony at all but Endeavour to get what owes you.

60 : Batsua Gruapa 30 from Decr: 1707 & 30 more from Decr: 1708.
12732 : 31 : 2 Omer Nina &cª: Merchants their accoᵗˢ. ought to be Ballanced once a Year.
64 : ... ... Mockdum Nina.
175 : ... ... Coota Arrack Renter.
763 : 20 ... Erram Rauze &cª:
75 : ... ... Perram Rauze.
3794 : 9 : 1 Buddy Narrans son & Cº: Debt in Vizagapatam G.ending 30[th] April 1709 their accoᵗˢ. ought to be ballanced every year.

13. Your Journal & Leger Letter H. We recd: ℔ Frederick & have not yet had time to Examine them wch: we design to do as soon as possible & advise you ℔ our next.

14. We find in your Journal G. Page 90 Pagº: 1103–18 charged for Intt: of mony borrowed in Novr: and Decr: 1707 Vizt.

	mos.	ds.		Pagº:	
Paid Henry Davenport	5–	8	Intt, at 9 ℔ %on	8000	Pagº316...
George Lewis	5–	8		1000	89–18
Colloway chittee	yr. 5–	8		4000	158...
Robt. Raworth	1–	1–8		4000	398...
Geo : Lewis	1–	5–2		1500	192...
			Pagº.	18,500	Pagº. 1103-18

We believe those Sums need not have been borrowed if you had been carefull in calling upon your Debtors.

15. We have paid here in England the following Credits wch: We would have wrote of to account Currant England.
Pagº. 960-9... due to Matthew Mead Decd:
687-5-1 George Snell decd.
We find Mathew Empson Warehouskeeper for his warehouse account remains a Dr: Pagº: 2846-35-5 from Decr: 1707 & no mony paid to the 30[th] April 1710, but in your Journal G. Page 66 yº. 28[th] ffebry. 1708. you make recd: of Mr: Raworth &cª. Pagº: 1200 for accoᵗ: of the said Empson & in your Journal H. Page 65. yr [...] you pay the said Pagº: 1200 to Edwd: Fleet [...] when any mony is paid into the Com[...]part to make good a Debt he owes the [...] not to be taken out again to pay other [...] he owes & the company not to receive [...] ought to have been applyed to the Pay[master ...]psons Debts for Goods sold out of the Warehouse and if there had been any overplus yr. Remainder ought to have been paid to his other Creditors.

17. Simon Holcomb in Vizagapatam books D. his Debt is but Pagº: 929–29 & he Dead in books E. you Increase it 222-29-1. & G. 959-30-5. which together makes Pagº. 2112-17 wee think it strange that you take yº. company's mony to pay his Debts.

SIGNED BY ORDER OF THE UNITED COURT OF DIRECTORS.

SRS:
Wee are Your Humble Servants,
SAMUL WATERS.
E. SARGEANT.
J. FLETCHER.

IN THE SHIP ARABELLA ALEXª. REID MASTER FOR EAST INDIES.

Alexander Reid having Lycence from Mr John Russell for five hundred Pounds maketh Entry Vizt:

Twelve Dozen of course Hatts at 4 ˢ each	£ 28-16 ...
Twenty four yards of Fine Black cloth at 17 ˢ	£ 20 - 8 ...
Twenty four yards of Scarlett cloth at ˢ 20	£ 24 -... ...
To be shipt at Madera in Wine	£ 486-16 ...
Five Hundred pounds	£ 500 ...

. I Doe Affirm upon the Oath I have taken [to the Gen]erall Society entituled to the advantages given by Act of [Parliament] advancing asumme not exceeding Two Millions for the [...] of England. That the abovesaid Entry doth contain [...] value and values of all the Goods and Merchan [...] by or for me in the abovesaid ship for the said Voyage.

London, 11th: October 1711. Alex, ander Rer]d.

In the Alleppo Factor Capt^a^. James Haines for East Indies.

John Powell having Right for Three Thousand Seven hundred pounds maketh Entry Viz^t^.

47 Long Clothes at £ 8 ℔ Cloth	£	376	0 0
Twelve thousand & eighty Seven Ounces of Forreign silver Coyne at 5^s^: 6^D^: ℔ ounce	£	3,323	18 6
Three thousand Six hundred ninety nine Pounds 18.6	£	3,699	18 6

I Doe Affirm upon the Oath I have taken to the Generall Society, Entituled to the advantages given by Act of Parliament for [advancing] a summe not exceeding Two Millions for the Service of the [. . . .] land. That the abovesaid Entry doth contain the full and [true , . .] values of all the Goods

Coynes and Merchandizes to be [. . .] abovesaid ship for the said Voyage.
London the 22th: Septem^r^: 1711 John [Powell.]

A List of Souldiers on board the shipp Marlborough Cap^t^: Mathew Martin Comd^r^; viz^t^:

No. 1 Timothy Parsons
2 Robert Hury
3 Samuel Burdey
4 Thomas Ware
5 Thomas Chun
6 Richard Boys
7 Thomas Pettifot
8 John Howard
9 John Worrell
10 Anthony Vincent
11 Dennis Cane
12 James Camorin
13 John Ferguson
14 John Johnson
15 John Capon
16 John Buckley
17 Francis Monear
18 John Dear
19 John Rolfe
20 Thomas Ward
21 Will^m^. Garland
22 James Blake
23 Hugh Jones
24 Rue Williams
25 John Smith
26 John Seaman
27 Henry Harris
28 Charles Aubery
29 Jasper Fever
30 Edward Rotherford
31 James Man
32 Tohmas Jones
33 Richard Shermon
34 Thomas Hill
35 James Barrey
36 Thomas Armitage
37 W^m^. Goodchild
38 Thomas Harding
39 John Low
40 Michael Andrews
41 John Seamore
42 John Roberts
43 Will^m^. Shittleworth
44 Benjamin Wite
45 Thomas Smith

East India house
Y^r^: 17th: Janry. [1712]

Ex^d^ [Tho: Lewis.]

A List of Souldiers on board the shipp Kent Capt: Lawrance Minter Comdr: vizt:

No. 1 John Vowell
2 Benja Draper
3 Wm: Hurley
4 Nicholas Bunce
5 John Wood
6 Thomas Berrey
7 Cherrey Beeson
8 Richard Marcey
9 Willm. Soloman
10 James George
11 John Roberts
12 Daniel Anglin
13 Tho: Baldock
14 George Honylove
15 Zach. Bradley
16 James Sober
17 Willm: Rentfry
18 James Dix
19 Michael Morgan
20 Anthony Regan
21 Thomas Pellang
22 James Hill
23 Thomas Horne
24 John Seale
25 Willm: Taylor
26 Hercules Gold
27 Alexr: Waters
28 Tho: Hobbs
29 Phillip Toubar
30 Christoph Morgan
31 John Sears
32 Franc: Rush
33 Francis Upton
34 John King
35 David Ferguson
36 Stepn: Winship
37 Stepn: Selwi [nr]

East India house, Londn: 17th: Janry. 1711.

Examd: Tho: Lewes.

A List of the Souldiers on board the ship Recovery Capt: Joseph Beale Comdr: vizt:

No. 1. Willm: Johnson, Ser:
2. Henry Wright
3. Richard Price
4. David Price
5. Willm: Gibbins
6. Benjamin Norton
7. Thomas Bladon
8. Edward Eaton
9. David Gibbs
10. Thomas Barratt
11. Benjamin Stanley
12. Robert Collens
13. George Dyet
14. Robert Loughton
15. Robert Great
16. Thomas Morgan
17. John Williams
18. Samuel Newsam
19. John Bostock
20. James Anderson
21. Edward Boulton
22. John Smith, sent:
23. James Middleton
24. Aleat: Wood
25. Nathaniel Davis
26. John Smith, Jnr:
27. Willm: Pyke
28. Henry Carter
29. Henry Saile
30. Amos Cox
31. John Pestell
32. Edward Fisher
33. John Parker
34. John Stock

East India House, London: 17th: Janry: 1711.

Examd: Tho: Lewes.

ACCOUNT OF GOODS WANTING IN SEVERAL SHIPS FROM FORT S^{r}: GEORGE—FROM NOV^{R}: 1705 TO AUG^{T}: 1710.

Neck Cloths	58.	single ℔ Somers, arrived in	March 1706-7
	150.	. . . Loyal Cooke	Octo^{r}: 1707
	6.	. . . Martha	March 1705-6
	11.	. . . Fleet Frig^{t}: . .	d°: 1706-7
	2.	pieces Westmorland . . .	May 1707
Ginghams	2.	Mountague	March 1709-10
Luckhowries	2.	Westmorland	May 1707
	110.	d°: proved to be Baftaes	
Allejars	1.	Dutchess	Nov^{r}: 1705
Sallampores	84.	Loyal Merch^{t}:	March 1707-8
	3.	Dutchess	Sept^{r}: 1708
	3.	Todington	March 1706-7
	1.	Fleet Frigat	d°: [. . .]
	2.	Loyal Cooke	Octo^{r}: [. . .]
	4.	Nathaniel	d°: [. . .]
	3.	Mountague	March [. . .]
Bettellees	9.	Loyal Cooke	[. . .]
	6.	Tankervile	[. . .]
	61.	Dutchess	[. . .]
	6.	Litchfield	[. . .]
	1.	Mountague	d°: [. . .]
	1.	Martha	d°. 1705-6
	13.	Westmorland	May 1707
	4.	Nathaniel	Octo^{r}: 1708
Longcloth	1.	Sidney	Nov^{r}: 1705
	3.	Tankervile	March 1707-8
	4.	Loyal Merch^{t}:	d°:
	16.	Dutches	Sept^{r}: 1703
	1.	Mountague	March 1709-10
	7.	Somers	d°: 1706-7
	2.	Westmorland	May 1707
	1.	Loyal Cooke	Octob^{r}: 1707
Long clo: blew	1.	Nathaniel	d°: 1708
Bettellees strip'd	4.	Loyal Merch^{t}:	March 1707-8
	2.	Litchfield	d°: 1709-10
Musters	26. pieces	Tankervile	d°: 1707-8
	30.	Longcloths 1. W. came in their sted	
	1.	Westmorland	May 1707

EAST INDIA HOUSE, 9TH: JAN^{RY}: 1711

SAMUL WATERS

LIST OF THE COMPANYS PACKETT TO FORT ST. GEORGE BY THE MARLBOROUGH

No. 1. Companys Generall to the Fort dated 28th: December 1711
2. Copy of Companys Generall to the Fort dated 10th January 1710 sent by the Jane Frigott
3. Invoyce of the Marlborough amounting to £ 64,864-15-0
4. Bill of Lading of Ditto Ship
5. List of Goods to be provided at the Fort
6. Abstract of the Invoyce of the Stretham for Canton in China

7. Copy of the List of Goods to be pro [. . .] by the Supra Cargos of the Stretham.
8. Copy of the Marlboroughs [. . .]
9. List of the Companys Writers [. . .] for the ffort.

To be sent apart.

10. Manifest of Bullion and [. . .] to be shipt on board the Marlborough.
11. Copy of the Bond given by such as send out on Lycence Corall, Corall Beads, Amber, Amber Beads, Pearles, Emeraulds, Pretious Stones and Snuff.
12. Account of Corall &c^{a}: Lycenced to be Shipt on board y^{e}. Marlborough and Kent.
13. The Accomptant Generalls Letter to the President & Councill of Fort S^{t}. George dated 9th. January 1711.
14. Copy of the Entry on the Separate Stock Ship Arabella.
15. Copy of Ditto . . . . . Ship Aleppo Factor of which Ships Proceedings Wee hear no news.

To be sent apart.

16. List of Souldiers on board the Marlborough Signed by
17. Account of Goods wanting by Severall Ships Signed by M^{r}. Samuell Waters Accomptant Generall dated 9th January 1711.
18. M^{r}. Thomas Bulkley Factor his Covenants to be Signed sealed & Delivered also his Bond to perform them both which are to be returned hither (which are to comence from the arrivall of the Marlborough.)
19. M^{r}. Fleet Aynsworths Covenants to Comence a ffactor from the 17th. of September 1714 also his Bond to perform them which are to be Signed Sealed and Delivered both which are to be returned hither.
20. a small Box directed Patterns of Cloth by the Marlborough in the box apart
21. Key of a chest of Medicines for Fort S^{t}. George ℔ Marlborough in the Box apart
22. Companys Generall to the ffort Dated 28th. December 1711.
23. Packet from the Secrett Committee dated the 1st January 1711.

Directed to the Governour of Fort S^{t}. George for the time being: this with N^{o}. 22 were enclosed Sealed up in a Cover and directed Viz^{t}. For the Hon^{ble}. the Governour and Councill for all the fforces and [affa]ires of the English Nation at Fort S^{t}. George &c^{a}. [entrusted]. To the Hon^{ble}. the President and Councill [. . .] the fforces and affaires of the English nation at Fort William in Bengall to be forwarded thither by the first good opportunity.

LIST OF THE COMPANYS PACKETT TO FORT S^{t}. GEORGE BY THE KENT.

No. 1. Companys Generall to the Fort Dated the 28th. Decem^{r}. 1711.
2. Copy of y^{e}. Comp^{as}. Generall to the Fort dated the 10th. Jan^{ry}. 1710 sent Jane ffrigott.
3. Invoice of the Kent amounting to £ 51953-0-6.
4. Bill of Lading of Ditto Ship.
5. List of Goods to be Provided at the Fort.
6. Abstract of the Invoice of the Stretham for Canton in China.
7. Copy of the List of Goods to be Provided in China ℔ Supra Cargos of y^{e}. Stretham.
8. Copy of the Kents charterparty
9. List of the Companys Writers & ffree [. . .] for the ffort.
10. Manifest of Bullion & Goods Lycen [sed to lade on] board y^{e} Kent.
11. Copy of the Bond given by such [. . . .] Corall, Corall Beads, Amber, Amber Beads [. . .]elds Pretious Stones and Snuff.
12. Account of Corall &c^{a}. Lycenced to be [sent] on board y^{e}. Marlborough and Kent.
13. The Accomtant Generalls Letter to the President and Councill of ffort S^{t}. George dated 9th. January 1711.
14. Copy of the Entry on the Seperate Stock ship Arabella

No. 15. Copy of Ditto . . . . . Ship Alleppo Factor of which Ship's proceedings wee hear no news.
16. List of 37. Souldiers on board the Kent Signed by M^r^. Thomas Lewes.
17. Account of Goods wanting by severall ships Signed by M^r^. Samuell Waters Accomptant Generall dated 9^th^. Jan^ry^. 1711.
18. A small Box directed Patterns of Cloth and Stuffs by y^e^. Kent. in y^e^. Box apart.
19. Key of a Box of Gold and Silver Thread N^o^. 4. by the Kent in the Box apart.
20. Keys of two Boxes of Spirits N^o^. 7: & 8 by the Kent (No. 9 naild up) in the Box apart.
21. Companys Generall to the Fort Dated the 28^th^. December 1711.
22. Packet from the Secrett Comittee dated the 1^st^. January 1711. Directed To the Governour of Fort S^t^. George for the time being this with N^o^. 21 were enclosed Sealed up in a Cover and Directed Viz^t^. For the Hon^ble^. the Governour and Councill for all the Forces & affairs of the English Nation at Fort S^t^. George.
23. M^r^. John Masons Covenants to Comence a Factor from the 3^d^. August 1712 also his Bond to perform them which are to be signed Sealed & Delivered both which are to be returned hither [. . .]
24. Packett Directed to y^e^. Hon^ble^. the President & Councill for all the fforces and affaires of the English Nation at Fort William in Bengall, To be forwarded [. . .] by the first good opportunity. It is in the Box apart [. . .]

LIST OF THE COMPANYS PACKETT TO FORT S^t^. GEORGE BY THE RECOVERY.

No. 1. Companys Generall to the Fort Dated the 28^th^. December 1711.
2. Invoice of the Recovery amounting to £48026-9-7.
3. Bill of Lading of Ditto ship.
4. List of Goods to be provided at the Fort.
5. Abstract of the Invoyce of the Stretham for Canton in China.
6. Copy of the List of Goods to be Provided in China by the Supra Cargos of the Stretham.
7. Copy of the Recoverys Charterparty [. .]
8. List of the Companys Writers and [. . .]for the ffort.
9. Manifest of Bullion and Goods [. . .] on Board the Recovery.
10. Copy of the Bond given by such as [sent out . . .] Lycence Corall, Corall Beads, Amber, Amber Beads, Pearls, Emeraulds, Pretious Stones and Snuff.
11. Account of Corall &c^a^: Lycenced to be Shipt on board y^e^: Marlborough and Kent.
12. The Accomptant Generalls Letter to the President & Councill of ffort St. George Dated 9^th^: January 1711.
13. Copy of the Entry on the Separate Stock ship Arabella.
14. Copy of Ditto . . . . . Ship Alleppo Factor of which ship's proceedings we hear no news.
15. List of 34 Souldiers on board y^e^: Recovery sign'd by M^r^: Lewes, Paymaster.
16. Account of Goods wanting by Severall Ships signed by M^r^: Sam^l^: Waters Accomptant Generall Dated 9^th^: January 1711.
17. a Box directed Patterns of Cloth & Stuffs by the Recovery in the Box apart.
18. Keys of two Boxes of spirits N^o^: 10: 11 by the Recovery (N^o^: 12 naild up) in y^e^: Box apart.
19. Companys Generall to the Fort dated 28^th^: Decem^r^: 1711.

No. 20. Packet from the Secrett Committee Dated the 1st: January 1711. Directed To the Governour of Fort St: George for the time being this with N° : 19 were enclosed Sealed up in a Cover and Directed Vizt: For the Honble: the Governour and Councill for all the fforces and affaires of the English Nation at Fort St: George.

SECRETARY'S LETTER TO FORT ST. GEORGE, DATED FEBRUARY 6, 1711. RECEIVED JULY 24, 1712 PER MARLBOROUGH. [*Public Despatches from England, Vol.* 16, *p.* 125.]

TO THE HONOBLE: THE PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL OF FFORT ST: GEORGE.

GENTLEMEN,

Enclosed you will receive Copy of the Court of Directors Generall Letter to their Deputy Governour and Council of York fort at Bencoolen dated the 6th: instant which I send you by our ships Marlborough and Kent by the Courts command To the End you may see what the Court have therein directed, prohibited or caution'd against and may also take care from time to time that ye: Compas: Servants there comply therewith.

You will find in the Letter that ye: Court [. . . orders] be obey'd as they have had occasion to lay down [. . .] have also added thereto that ye: Deptv: Governour [. . .] should in like manner have a due regard to what [. . .] receive from you and as you all know the unaccount[able Extra]vagancys of the unfaithful servants at Bencoolen and [. . .] Governour Harrison had the care of ye: West Coast recommended to him by ye: Court here before his going out; so I can't at all doubt But that you will put an effectuall stop to that amazing Leak of their Estate and at length let ye: Company see That under your mannagement and Controul The West Coast of Sumatra may and will be made a settlement worth the keeping and improving That it may so be is the hearty wish of

Gentlemen
Your very humble servt:
Tho: WOOLLEY,
Secry:

EAST INDIA HOUSE,
THE 6TH: FFEBRUARY 1711.

GENERAL LETTER TO BENCOOLEN, DATED FEBRUARY 6, 1711. PER SUCCESSE. [*Public Despatches from England, Vol.* 16, *pp.* 129—151.]

LONDON THE 6TH · FEBRUARY 1711.

OUR DEPUTY GOVERNOUR AND COUNCIL OF BENCOOLEN.

1. By our ships Jane, Toddington & Thistleworth we gave very large orders & Instructions to the ꝑsons thereby constituted Deptv: Govr: & Councill of York Fort at Bencoolen; they were dated the 10th: Janry: 1710 & if those Orders be carefully & constantly observed we have a morall assurence our affaires on the West Coast of Sumatra will take a new & beneficiall turn for our advantage & be put into such a regular method as that wee shall have no reason to fill our Letters with the [. . .] complaints therein contained for severall years [pas . . . .] by the last two of those ships send you a short [. . .] Letter of the 17th: April last, its copy you [will find in the] Packett.

2. Since then we have by the [. . .] Carleton receᵈ: your Letters of the 4th of July [. . . 1710] with the papers in the accompanying packet wherein with pleasure we find how far the two Supervisors Mr: Harrison and Capt: Phripp have proceeded in discovering & curing those monstrous & unaccountable instances of ill management wch. they on enquiry found were the

continued practices of our unfaithfull Servants in all places on that coast. By those ships we received also Letters from Mr. Etterick Dep^{ty}: Gov^{r}: of Bencoolen & Mr. Daniell Chief of Bentall wherein they give us great & we hope honest assurances of employing all their care, ffidelity and constant Endeavours in their Stations to promote our Interest.

3. By the ship Frederick we have rece^{d}: copys of all the Letters the President & Council of ffort S^{t}: George had rece^{d}: from the said Supervisors who acted at Bencoolen and Bentall & of the consultations held during their times at both Places & the President & Councils observations & thoughts thereupon; all these have been pused and on the whole they give such a prospect & veiw of the ill posture of our affaires on the West Coast & such a horrid scene of Villanys acted as is enough to discompose the most even & serene Temper and were it not for the benefitt of our Country & to hinder the Dutch from monopolizing the whole Pepper Trade we should abandon all that Coast: surely never did any History produce instances of such abandond Wretches in any part of the world.

4. Wee find in our aforementioned Gen^{l}: Letter we have given Such Rules & Orders as if pursued will Cure these extravagant evils & prevent them for the future and we hope they will and expect they be accordingly regarded.

5. We having often wrote you that we expect all the orders you from time to time receive from us be always look'd upon by you to be in force & of equal validity as if repeated in every Succeeding Letter and to continue as so many standing Rules for your Government never to [be pa]rted from forgotten or past by unless our or our President & Councill of Fort S^{t}: Georges future orders or an apparent & inevitable [. . .] herein you must be very certain or our greater benefitt sho^{d}: [. . .] you so to do this being premised. Wee come now to give you [. . .] Directions, Cautions & Prohibitions in our answers to the [. . .] Letters & papers according to our settled method under the following Heads Viz^{t}:

FIRST CONCERNING SHIPPING SENT OUT & RETURNED.

6. Since our aforesaid Letters it has pleased God to send us the Ships following viz^{t}. the Abingdon from Bombay and Nathaniel from Bencoolen but last from Ireland they arrived in the Downes the 21th: May last. The Loyal Bliss & King William from the Bay, the Loyal Cooke from China, the Donegall from Mocha, the Blenheim from Mocha and Bombay & the Carleton from Bencoolen by their early dispatches & hastening their Voyages joined the Dutch at the cape, Sailed with them to Holland & arrived in the River of Thames the 8th: August last, the Frederick from the Fort, the Susannah, Europe and Concord from the Bay & the Fleet Frigott from Bombay came in Company with the men of War sent out for their convoy & arrived in the Downes the 6th: of October. The Concord got to the Cape within a day or two after the Dutch left it and yet you will observe that little time made two months differance in her arrivall altho. these last ships had a good passage from S^{t}: Helena & came directly into our Channell as high as the Downes without putting into any other Port. This we hint to you to show you by this late example The reason why wee are so very earnest with you not to loose a minutes time in the Speedy dispatch of our Ships for England especially those who are designed for the first and early Ships & have any likelyhood of reaching the Cape before the departure of the Dutch Ships for Europe.

7. The Ships wee are now sending out to all ports of India this Season are

	Tons	
The Nathaniel	250	Cap^{t}: Jon^{a}. Negus for Mocha
The Stretham	350	Cap^{t}: Harry Gough for Canton & Fort S^{t}: George
The Herne	350	Cap^{t}: John Lane for Canton & home.

They all sailed from Plymouth the 9th: Jan^{ry}: under a good Convoy

The Marlborough 480 Cap^{t}: Mathew Martin
The Kent 350 Cap^{t}: Lawrence Minter } For the Coast & Bay
The Recovery 330 Cap^{t}: Jos. Beale [. .]
The Mary 450 Cap^{t}: Rich^{d}: [. .] for the Bay

These have been some time [. . .] hope they will speedily leave England.

The Success 220 Cap^{t}: Page [. . .] Bencoolen
The Grantham 470 Cap^{t}: Jon^{a}: Collett
The Sommers 480 Cap^{t}: Eustace Peacock } for Bombay
The Abingdon 400 Cap^{t}: Jon Lesley
The Blenheim 250 Cap^{t}: Abraham Parrott for Bombay to stay for the use of the Island.

8. This comes to you by the Success who is in the Downes & we hope may overtake our Ships at Spithead, in her Packett you will find her Invoice, Bill of Lading & Charterparty which we send for your Information & Guidance.

9. What we directed last year with relation to the times in charterparty for the dispatch of every ship the supplying them with Salt Petre instead of their Iron Kintlage and furnishing them wth. more Petre for stiffening them the Commanders desiring it in Writing What news you have of our own or other Europeon Ships, What time our own Ships import with or are dispatched from you about Surveying our Ships before their Lading for England that they be sufficiently repaired. When any Ships deliver goods short or damaged What moneys you supply the Commanders on Charterparty terms as you did for the Nathaniel and Carleton & our pressing reasons for preventing our ships lying on Demorage: all these we now & for all time to come confirm & make a short recapitulation of them here only to refresh your Memory and to excite you to look back on them and what formerly wrote on the same Subject for the better information of your Judgements and Regulation of your Practice. To render this matter more easy and the observance of our orders thereupon more effectuall do you cause your Secretary to draw out under this head all the Paragraphs hitherto received from us or Fort S^{t}. George that you may have them Collected in one view before you & as any new orders shall be rec^{d}. relating to the same matter add them thereto & when this is so don by him do you our Deputy Governour & Council & the Deputy Governour & Council for the time being peruse our Letters [and the] Letters from Fort S^{t}. George (for their orders must also be [. . .] by you) to see if he has carefully collected all. This [. . .]hat of trouble at first will in the end save a great deale [. . .] thus put together will when perused bring to your [. . .]nce what may prove advantagious to us and prevent the [. . .] that may happen thrô, forgetfulness and that it may do so do you all frequently revise the said Collection.

10. To save our selves & you the trouble of repeating the like orders under sev^{ll}. following Generalls We say here once for all do you now & your Successors hereafter in like manner cause to be transcribed & examined all the Generall rules given you heretofore now or to be given you in future each under its proper head and apply a book for that purpose to enter the same in with proper blank leaves to insert future orders and keep this Book in the Consultation room to have recourse to on all occasions & let the Secretary in the Margin of each paragraph make short notes containing the Substance of it which will be great help to you in looking over the same.

11. As we have annually appointed a Secrett Committee to give orders to our severall settlements & to the Captains of every Ship outward & homeward bound so we have this year desired S^{r}. Jon^{a}. Andrewes S^{r}. Edm^{d}. Harrison S^{r}. George Mathew and Gregory Page Esq^{r} to be that Committee wherefore you must observe their orders or any three of them on that Account as if they had been signed by the whole Court & herewith you will also receive a short Letter from us to the same purpose enclosing their orders to the Deputy Gov^{r}. for the time being.

12. We have inserted a clause in all the Captains Instructions that they must keep comp^{a}. with all our ships they shall be in Company with outward or homeward bound and consort together for their mutual security: this Wee note for your Information.

13. You will observe in the charterparty there is a clause about lading the Ship with half her Tonnage in petre this is put into every Ships charterparty but in regard Salt petre is now but a dull commodity. We have forbid the Coast and Bay to make any use of it unless in case of absolute necessity & that they have not goods enough otherwise to load a ship that Season for England & on the same account we permit you if you have a surplus of petre by you above what the Tonnage on [your goods] requires for Kintlage & also what is speedily expected to [. . .] with half petre this we allow of rather than to [know . . .] months on Dem^{o}. but this is like extream unction [. . .] except in cases of the last necessity.

14. We wrote you last year to send Arrack to St. Helena & that it be best of the kind this we would have don on the charterparty terms annually till our orders to the contrary and because we have had complaints of some deliverd from our Ships there that was stark naught to prevent the like in what sent from you do you, at the same time send a large bottle or small case of Bottles of the same sort well stopt and Sealed to S^{t}: Helena & advise them & us of it; by this means the Fraud if any on board will be easily discoverd. We find you have a Surplus quantity of Sugar by you and it may be when you send for Arrack from Batavia which we would not have sent for on purpose but only when you have occasion to permitt a Ship to go thither either for refreshing her men or the conditions mentioned in former Letters or any other Warrantable occasions and in that case order some Sugar to be also brought you sufficient in part or in whole to answer the Arrack you send to S^{t}: Helena which do you send along with it & if the War should continue so that the ship should not touch at S^{t}; Helena give the Captain an order in his Instructions to spend the said Sugar & Arrack in the Voyage if it be necessary for the use of his Ships Company & to account with us for the same on his arrivall here and that Wee may know how to charge S^{t}: Helena or the Captain for what you so send, send us Duplicate of the Invoice of what consigned thither.

15. Among other unaccountable instances of our Peoples unfaithfulness on the West coast Wee took notice last year of their ill mannagement of the Sloops. We find by what is written to Fort S^{t}: George the President & Council are sensible a Gang of Lascars such as they call there the Gunroomcrew would be usefull for you to mannage some boats which they also thought would be necessary for your place and we suppose would send you because thereby the charge of Boat hire for lading & unlading our Ships would be very much diminisht at least the pretence of our Servants for the great charges on that account would be removed & the time of Ships lying on Demorage would be shortend. If they should or [. . .] they do send these. We hereby direct that you keep in an [. . .] part the charge of such Boats & Lascars monthly & [. . .] abstract thereof by every Shipping & also the like of [. . .] putting down the amount of every Item Viz^{t}. so much [. . .] charge of Repairs, Stores, Provisions, number of Men belonging to each & each of their Wages Monthly & so of any other expences belonging thereto that we may thereby have at one view an acco^{t}. of the Totalls of each Item ℔ Month. Our President & Council write those Lascars when they are not employed on the Water do any sort of Labour they are capable of on Land & are entertained with that view which we note to you for your Informat^{n}. & complyance withall & hope you will remember that it is not our Interest nor your Duty to let any of the people whether these Lascars or the Slaves or other under you be Idle; they must be kept to some usefull business or other or else they will be like drones eat up the Labours of the Industrious which you must prevent.

16. Whatever supplys you want of these or other matters advise to the Fort for them & your reasons & we doubt not but you will be supplyed so far as they think proper but then we expect you be good Husbands for whatever you have & desire no more than what are really wanted at present or will be so before you can have reason to expect a new supply.

17. What Garrison or Factors Stores or other supplys are now sent you will see in the Invoice. Do you take care none of them be embezled, sufferd to spoil or squanderd away & whenever you write for any let us know what remains you have & how the residue sent has been used & that there may be no pretence for mistake. We expect the Deputy Gov^{r}. & Council do peruse & Sign the List of all desired & List of remains & put down the Quantitys in words at length and in another column in Figures of every sort; by this means we shall be ascertained that you do not make a demand by an implicite trust in any particular person appointed to draw out such Lists; wee expect that you will not make a demand except when & only so far as is necessary if any article should be desired more than at first sight appears to be really wanted, annex thereto your reasons for it.

18. Wee fear the Westmoreland is lost because we have no news of her but you did well to advise us of Captain Warners selling Twenty five Tons of pepper at Batavia.

19. Wee have an acco^{t}: from Bencoolen That some of our Ships have layn in the Road for a long time together for the sake of a small present or for gratifying our Peoples Luxu[ry &] Vanity That they might be treated often on board have the Guns [mounted &] Flaggs Hoisted. We give this caution that we may hear no [. . .] after on the like occasions & as hoping you will [. . .] day a ship is so detained it stands us in nine pence [. . .] Demorage which in honesty you ought to save for us.

SECONDLY CONCERNING GOODS SENT FROM EUROPE.

20. Wee observe by your Letter of the 4th. July 1710 you write it is probable a small quantity of severall fine blew cloths w^{d}. sell to advantag^{e} and being once worn would quickly bring it to a fashion in that damp Countrey but the par^{a}: proposes it only as an Experiment which has proved well in other parts of India; this was wrote on the first coming over of the then Supervisor and Council; the Letter in November is altogether Silent in that matter which should not have been if on further enquiry you found the Experiment probable; nor do you say in your first Letter whether the blews should be deep or Pale or of what fineness the Cloth should be for which reason and because we hear nothing of this from Fort S^{t}: George we have not by this ship sent out any But should be glad to have particular Informations on this head as being very desirous to promote the consumption of our Woollen Manufacture & therefore we intend to enquire further when we can see M^{r}: Harrison who wrote that Letter and who is at present & has almost ever since he came to England been in the Country.

21. If any other English or European Product would go off at Sumatra it would be acceptable to us wherefore enquire & let us know the result & if you shall advise the sending anything give particular & full directions to the sorts, quantitys, to what purposes applyed & at what Prices [. . .] same will in likelyhood go off & any further Informations proper for our notice, we promise ourselves as our now Council is Constituted they will exert themselves in this & all other the matters committed to their charge and not content themselves with an Indolent supineness or suffer their parts to rust with idleness as was the temper of the late Council of which an Eye Witness lately wrote us this character that no sooner were they Invested with the Power of Government but they imediately threw of that dull heavy burden (as they called it) business & from that time took leave of their Senses & their honesty & the late Gen^{ll}: Letter says to the same purpose or as bad of M^{r}: Hoyle who had a better character when recomended to our Service.

THIRDLY TOUCHING INVESTMENTS OF GOODS PROPER FOR EUROPE.

FOURTHLY TOUCHING THE TRADE OF INDIA IN GEN^{LL}: AND THEREIN ANY TRANSACTIONS WITH THE COUNTRY GOVERNMENT.

22. Wee put these two heads together at this time because we find we [. . .] largely under each last year whereto we referr you & what we [. . .] add in relation to pepper will take in both as including [. . .] Governing Mallays from whose Territorys it comes.

23. [. . .] in the said Letters ℔ Nathaniel & Carleton you had a hope [for] prospect of sufficient quantitys of Pepper & that it was dayly coming by which not only the said two ships were actually dispatcht but the Meade would as you peremptorily assure us be laden away in Jan^{ry}: how it comes she is not yet here we cannot tell.

24. As we last year wrote we again say You must use your utmost endeavours & that constantly to encourage the enlargement of the Pepper Plantations To buy all as it comes. To use the Natives wth. Mildness & Treat them justly. To have some People you can confide in to visit the Pepper Plantations & see they do improve them & be raising new Trees as the old begin to decay. To have your Warehouses always full to give our Ships a speedy dispatch & to that end to keep yo^{r}: Doll^{rs}: ready at hand to pay for whatever is bro^{t}: you at the Scale so soon as weighed & deliverd.

25. Whatever pepper is deliverd you take care it be well garbled & clean from dust, husks, Flaggs, Scummings & all other foulness before it be shipt aboard for we pay the same Freight & Custom for the foul as the clean pepper. Wee are sorry to read that you say Cap^{t}. Litton had just cause to complain of the ill Garbling of the Pepper he took in at Bentall & Ippue let it be so no more & if the Excuse should be that it was deliverd aboard as soon as rec^{d}: from the natives remedy that by taking care all that is put into the Godownes be then well Garbled & so kept.

26. Wee find that in the articles concluded in the Bitchar holden at Bentall Sultan Guillmiott & the Mandarineens & Proateens there assembled had the Command & Government of Manduta, Sillagun, Tredickett, Bentall, Tryamong, Ippue & c^{a}. & in some parts of your Letters that the three last of those places produce the greatest Quantitys of Pepper ; since this is so you must be very carefull to keep a good understanding with that Sultan the said Mandarines & Proateens & press them earnestly to encourage all under them to Cultivate their Plantations & enlarge them.

27. Do you take care that all the articles therein concluded on be strictly & carefully observed on your side at all times & let them know that if our Chief of Bentall or any of our Serv^{ts}: there don't Comply on our parts you will so soon as you know it recall or expell them & we require you to do so be they who they will, of which give them all fair & timely warning. Wee are the most possitive in this because we find by the ill mannagement at Bentall our affairs there were in the utmost danger when the Supervisors first arrived.

28. Wee hinted to you last year a method of encouragement to the Governing Mallays to encrease the [plan]tations in their Territorys, consider well of it & do therein what [ever you] find will effectually answer our Intention & to that end be we [. . .]zed what every place do's annually produce before you make any proposall to them of advancing one eighth or any other part of a Dollar ℔ Bahar on all their Country produces above that Quantum but dont propose it where you dont apprehend it will well answer because we find as in the case of Pangran Jangallo if they once have made a contract as they call it, they will be irreconcileable if it be withheld from them & if active & popular may cause a deal of mischief as seems to be the case of Rajah Macoota.

29 You must also consider that you must not give any such encouragement at such a Place as Salooma where as the Letter of the 4th: July 1710 Par^{a}: 13

mentions Seventy Bahar lyes rotting & has stood in forty Doll^{rs}: the Bahar already & there is little hopes of getting it down the Bar being so bad; if this Account be true and not to be remedyed you must not buy any deliverd you there hereafter, we hope however the attempt of sending Boats there on the change of the Monsoon may succeed. That paragraph mentions also that some of our money was squanderd away in building a house there. We take notice of this instance to give you a future caution that nothing of the like kind be don hereafter for what benefitt will it be to us to buy pepper if we cant get it away or not without a vast charge. Wee doubt not but your own reason will easily suggest this to you.

30. You did well to reject the proposition of making the Chief settlement at Manduta seeing the Letter of the 4th: July. Par^{a}: 14 says it yielded in one year but fourteen Bahar of Pepper & for the other reason that we will have no other settlements than Bencoolen and Bentall for such has been the excessive charge of Buildings or at least it has been the pretence of squandring away vast Summs of our money that we can never entertain the thought of a new Settlement on that coast till we have much better reasons given us for it than has hitherto appeared.

31. We observe you have agreed in the first Article of the Bitchar that a Resident be constantly at Manduta & that the Pepper may be weighed off there & paid for at the Scale. Since it is so you must keep to it. But in regard as the said 14th: Par^{a}: says it is so small a distance from Bentall that people may be easily sent from thence to purchase the pepper as the cropps come in & lade it on board ship without putting us to the charge of a Factory we would not have above one person reside there & when he can be dispenced with let him be at Bentall & since (as one Consultation says) the Bar is not comodious it [would be better] if the Pepper was bro^{t}: to Bentall by the Natives.

32. [Mr.] Harrisson in a Letter of his of the 9th: October to the President & Council before he was got to Madrass advises them that he had appoint^{d}: M^{r}: Phillips to reside continually at Manduta & M^{r}: Manwaring at Sillabar to prevent private Peoples medling with the pepper Trade; which he says will be found highly requisite & yet no greater charge than maintaining them anywhere else. On this supposition we add if you should or whenever you do find it necessary to keep one of our Covenant Serv^{ts}: at any place for the receiveing in or looking after the Pepper We shall approve of it, in the same Letter he further adds as his opinion that there ought to be good Warehouses at those two places & Manduta and in good repair, whereas now there is hardly a Warehouse standing & that the Warehouses ought to be low built and arch't which will preserve them from the Earthquake & then when the cropp was off the ground the natives would bring it all thither whereas for want of such conveniency they must & do sell it to the first Purchaser & that Brick & Chinam is much better & cheaper than Timber building. We suppose on this the President & Council have given you the necessary orders & that you have complyed with them, if they have not & you find it necessary let proper Warehouses be built as he describes but take care we be honestly dealt with and that they be strongly done sufficient to last that there may be no pretence for reparation of rebuilding.

33. Advise us when the pepper crops are ripe how long after the Pepper is ready to be bro^{t}: to our Warehouses & whether the Season is the same on all parts of Sumatra or where it differs & what time.

34. M^{r}. Harrison writes the Bentall Bahar is six hundred and Thirty pounds your Inv^{o}: says Six hundred & sixteen pounds advise w^{ch}: is right & how this difference arises he says the Sillabar Bahar is also six hundred & thirty pounds.

35. He is very apprehensive the Dutch encouraging the raising of Cotton will be detrimentall to the Pepper he says the growth of the Cotton Plantations is surprizing & that they have been raised very lately all along the coast That they have erected a Manufactury near Padang for it, where nothing is wanting to encourage the Natives to bring it in That the Cotton Tree is more easily reared than the Pepper & that the Company's Northern Settlements are fallen into

the way of it & the Dutch have resettled J[a]rajah near Bentall with Factors ready to purchase all that offerrs, from all which he inferrs that without due care the Pepper Plantations will be neglected & the Cotton only regarded. This we mention the rather [because] we observe in the agreem^{t}: at the Bentall Bitchar the Sult[an has] made it in their Bargain that they might not be stinted [of the ?] fifty Bahar formerly settled but might carry what Cotton they would to Padang. But that if we found this Grant Detrimentall to the pepper Trade we might recall it. Wherefore we particularly recommend it to you to have a watchfull eye on this affair & if you do find they do mind the Cotton & neglect the Pepper you make them sencible of it & if they dont do better use your Liberty & recall the said Grant.

36. However we can't pass this matter over without remarking That sometimes the Mallays have been represented as an Idle Lazy People that would not mind their Plantaions of Pepper and this has been urged when our Factors have thought such an allegation an answer to our complaints for their not sending our Ships home & yet we now find that they are very diligent in Planting Cotton & insist on the Priviledge of carrying it to Padang themselves whereas we are told we must pay for our Pepper at the Scale where it is bro^{t} contiguous to the Place of its growth. We take the truth of the matter to be this. That they find better treatment from the Dutch than the English & that makes them rather inclined to deal with them & this is the more apparent because when the Supervisor & a new sett of Council came & they found the mannagem^{t} changed presently there was pepper to be gott & he had forty Tons deliverd him on Creditt while the Frederick was gon to Batavia to change the Duccatoons for Doll^{rs}: the end of this remark is that we are fully perswaded if you will be diligent in our affairs treat the Natives well pay them for what they bring & encourage them by good usage to come again You need never want pepper & if you do the cause will be evident.

37. This leads us naturally to say something concerning the country Government. Wee find that last year we gave you directions on this head & were therein the larger because some of you were altogether strangers to the Country, their manners & Customs which are different from those in Europe but upon Perusall of the consultat^{ns}: & Generall Letters & on enquiry of such of our Servants as were upon the Place when the Supervisor & his then Council entered upon the Examinations of Affairs there & particularly of the occasion of the Natives being so imbittered against the English at Bencoolen & Bentall & that these last were continually on their Guard to prevent being all murderd. You will find that the Rules then laid down were very proper to have prevented the evils that our then Serv^{ts}: were just upon the brink of & which in all likelyhood nothing but the arrivall of the said Supravisor & his said Council could have rescued them [. . .] We find in his Letter to Fort S^{t}: George wherein he gives the President & Council (from whom he had a commission to proceed to and rectify the ill posture of affairs at Bencoolen) an acco^{t}: of his proceedings. He represents to them. That on his arrivall at Bencoolen he found the Countrey in Gen^{ll}: dissatisfyed, the little Garrison there night & day upon their Guard expecting an assault from the Natives who afterwards confest they resolved to kill them all whereupon he wrote to the four Penigrans or Princes of the Countrey inviting them to Bencoolen & Promising them redress of all grieveances who came presently down & give an account of their complaints the Principall of which were viz^{t}., The killing a Mallay man in the Fort, The not adjusting the acco^{t}: of Customs with them on Pepper, The disarming all the Mallays that come into the Fort upon business which is the most sensible affront that can be offerrd them & the Setting up a new Court of Justice different from that of their Countrey. But when he had with some pains composed these matters by promises they should be remedyed they departed home well satisfyed & thereupon he gott creditt for forty tons of Pepper as beforementioned.

38. Dupatty Puggareen whose kinsman that Mallay was demanded M^{r}: Skingles head because murderd by his order for endeavour^{s}: to get away a

Coffer^{ee} Wench & the Supervisor was obliged to send him Privately off the Shore & to make all Friends to allow the Pengran ten Doll^{rs} a month which was an ancient custom paid him for the Pepper Boats that come down Bencoolen River which he commands whereby he prevented his stopping the Boats of Pepper & Provissions which came that way: this tho: a charge to us he thought the best way to make peace because there was no recalling Life again.

39. Many other instances there were of Mr. Skingles oppression Barbarity & Tyranny at Bencoolen & Bentall & of his making himself a Party in the Quarrels between Sultan Guillimot & Rajah Maccoota which was not then to be reconciled because of the Rajahs absence nor whether it is yet do's not appear & in the copy of the articles agreed on at the Bitchar at Bentall you will find they first settled with the Council the manner of the Trying adjudging & Punnishing any Mallay accused of Crimes & Misdemeanours as appears by the consultation Book of the 5th: September; we are the larger in mentioning these things because at the same time we represent the Mallady we hint at the cure w^{ch} was well described in our Letter of last year aforesaid & we must also add that we never observed any of those Governing Mallays ever broke their words with the English till they had some handle afforded by an ill example sett them & as they are all very poor they may with kind & honest usage be easily secured to your interest. Tho: this is our observation we would not have you venture your selves in their Power lest the remembrance of former injurys don should tempt them to revenge them after a reconciliation & be very carefull not to let too many come in with their Creezes or Arms. It would be better if none did or only the Rajahs & none else.

40. Wee cant pass over this head without remarking that the Bentall Bitchar costs us Four hundred ninety nine Doll^{rs} & a half as ℔ acco^{t} of particulars of the presents enterd in the Consultation to whom & how much to each made & we do it for this purpose that you may prevent calling more than pure necessity requires & the way to do it is to prevent Quarrells or breaking your Contracts with them.

41. Wee observe in the said Consultation that Mr. Pillips then Resident at Manduta had kept a Correspondence with the Countrey Government on his own head & made them promises which you reprimanded him for & forbid it for the future under Penalty of Suspension without the Deputy Gov^{r}: & Council or Chief and Councils leave this we approve of & would have continued because our affairs may be Involved in difficultys some time or other if hot headed assuming persons shall venture out of their depth in affairs of this nature.

42. The Remedy proposed in that Bitchar for restoring the creditt of Copper Cash was we believe well intended as circumstances then stood but the Plaister was not large enough for the Sore. What we directed last year for calling them in can only fully cure that evill & therefore we see no reason to depart from it.

43. We find our President and Council of Fort S^{t}: George are rightly apprized of the termes settled at that Bitchar for Sale of our white & blew Longcloth & Sallampores & do write us they will fully supply you therewith, But in regard the agreement was to take Two hundred copper Cash at a Dollar & the Sallampores white were to be deliverd at forty Doll^{rs}: the Corge the blew at sixty the Longcloth white at ninety Doll^{rs} the Corge and the blew at one hundred & sixty & we have resolved the coppercash shall not be paid out by us at less than four hundred to a. [?] We leave it to you to consider whether you can't raise the price of all or some of those Goods since the said Alteration & do as you think most for our Service by Fair & affable methods.

44. Let us know by every Shipping what sorts & quantitys of Goods Treasure or Stores you receive from Fort S^{t}: George it will be necessary for our information.

45. We herewith send you copy Pengran Rajah Moodas Letter to the President of Fort S^{t}: George sent by Cap^{t} Phripp by which you will see he complains of Pengran Jangallo's allowance of four hundred Dollars ℔ annum & of the Pay to the four Duttoos. We cant tell how to give Judgement unless the

whole of the case was rightly stated which whether he has don or no we cant tell but leave to you to inform yourselves fully of the whole and then send the same to the President & Council & as they direct so do Tho: it appears to us by the Letter of the 14th: November 1710 Pengran Jangallo do's not deserve it but then consider well whether if you should take it away he may not do us more mischief than that comes to & try whether by fair means he can be prevailed upon either to do you more Service or be content with apart. Wee observe the three Quarters of the Customs he exacted from the two neighbouring Princes is restored to them. When these things are considerd & also how far [the] disgust the other Pengrans take at his allowance influence our affairs then you will be able to make a full state of the case with your opinion & transmitt it to Fort St: George for their Finall adjudication as aforesaid.

46. The proposall you make towards easing our charge on the West Coast by sending Goods from Madrass to Bencoolen to be sold there and the produce laid out in Pepper & that sold at about twenty Pagodas ℔ Candy which cost but twelve Dollrs. at Bencoolen besides the profitt on the Callico's may turn to account if well mannaged but then the Freight & Demorage of the Vessell must be also reckoned. However as you have laid something of this before our President & Council & they have promised as they write us to send you constant supplys We shall leave that to their ultimate direction & if you can secure us constant & speedy supplys for the Tonnage we send there can be nothing better than to put that proposall annually in practice by a countrey Vessell of our own that sails cheap.

47. Wee observe in the Consultation of the 30th: May 1710 Twenty Fannams of a Mallay Stamp are said to go currantly for a Dollar & the Intrinsick value being $25\frac{7}{16}$ it was therefore orderd That the Profits ensuing from thence should be brot: into the Companys Creditt wch. was so far well don but it may one time or other happen that the same sort of cheat may be put upon us in proportion by them as was by the copper cash passing two hundred for a Dollr. when they ought to have gon at four hundred; wherefore to remove that temptation from our Servants we say dont let any Quantitys of them pass but use them only as we do small money here a few for change & if ever you find that the Mallays make a differance between Twenty of them & a Dollar call them in & whenever you pay the Souldiers their pay let it be always in Dollars for we have been assured that hereto[fore] our unfaithfull Servants paid the Souldiers in copper Cash which reduced them to the utmost extremity & shortend severall of their Lives. This if so was a barbarous inhumanity & what we shall never pass by when we know it.

48. Mr. Harrison in one of his Letters to the Fort writes that he is well informed great Quantity's of Gold may be gotten at Manduta & the Places thereabouts for Coast Goods do you enquire into this & advise our President & Council of Fort St. George what you can learn & also Us in your next Genll: Letters & what prospect there is of doing any thing therein & on what terms.

49. He further adds That if the Company would Engross the Salt brot. from Java so as to have the Sole Trade of that commodity to themselves in all the Places under their Jurisdiction a Revenue might if honestly mannaged be raised thereby of above Two thousand Dollars a year by a moderate computation; let us hear your opinion thereupon & send the same to Madrass for their orders which you must observe. Wee have smarted so severely under the ill mannagement of that Coast that we should be glad of any thing that wd. help us to reimburse any part of our contant charge.

Fifthly touching our Fortifications Buildings and Revenues.

50. Wee have wrote enough on this head last year when we told you were against any new Buildings on Sumatra except only such as were absolutely necessary for the preserving the Healths & Lives of our Mercantile or Military

Servants & proper Warehouses for our Goods. Wee find you have represented the case of your Buildings to Fort S$^{t.}$ George as well as to us from whence we suppose you will have the necessary Instructions what you shall do, advise us what the cost of the Godown at the Carrang amounts to for by your Letter it appears you were setting about it. Our last years Letters directed That What Warehouses or other necessary Buildings were made should be with brick Foundations and Wooden Superstructures. Cap$^{t.}$ Phrip tells us all brick & low is best & in that manner the Dutch proceed & what wood they use they bring from Batavia having none good on the West Coast & Mr. Harrison writes the same & that brick is cheapest if laid w$^{th.}$ Chinam considering its duration. We mention these things but shall add nothing as our opinion till we hear what is don in pursuant of our orders wrote last year & of the orders sent you from Madras.

51. Wee perceive the reasons given for building a Godown at the Carrang was because it had no Surf or Bar & therefore was a safe place where Goods might be Landed & shipt off again without hazard but [what] makes us doubtfull of it is that in another Letter it mentions that Cap$^{t.}$ Lytton going in his Pinnace thither was oversett the Pinnace Packett & two men lost & the Captain & other seven men saved with difficulty.

52. It extreamly concerns us to read the Chineeses have been so badly treated at Bencoolen notwithstanding our repeated orders for their encouragement and that the Sugar Plantations are gon to ruine by their discouragement this must be mended or we shall never think our Serv$^{ts.}$ honest to us. They are Industrious usefull People & as every body tells us if encouraged w$^{d.}$ raise Sugar Plantations attempt the making Indigo & other beneficiall improvements. Peruse our former Letters & put the orders therein relating to the Chineeses in Execution. If we shall ever hear any of our Deputy Governours or Council or others abuse them Wee shall esteem that reason enough for their being expelled our Service & shall order Fort S$^{t.}$ George to do the same.

53. Wee are sorry to understand most of your Madagascar Coffrees are dead but can't do any thing on your proposal of a supply from thence till peace makes Freight & Demorage cheaper you have a great many Nais & other Slaves Wee expect you follow our orders relating to them sent last year.

54. Wee dont understand the meaning of your keeping so many Horses. They are a great charge to us dispose of all that are not absolutely necessary & let the Slaves attending on them be employed about better business more for our advantage.

55. M^{r}: Harrisson says by good mannagement the Arrack & Ophium Licences are capable of great improvements our Eyes are upon them & we expect you send us annually an Acco^{t}: in y^{e}: Gen^{ll}: Letter what they produce & how far advanced since the preceding a good Government distributing Justice impartially letting every one enjoy the Freedom of Trade allowed & the benefitt of their Labour & improvements w$^{d.}$ invite people to come under your Protection & then the Revenues w$^{d.}$ naturally improve & till this is really not pretendedly don we fear they will not.

Sixthly Touching our Factors and Writers

Officers and Souldiers and their acco$^{ts.}$

56. Whenever we send you any Factors or Writers you will have an acco$^{t.}$ thereof either in the body of the Letter or in a paper apart in the Packett.

57. Wee are strangely surprized at the Acco$^{t.}$ of the unfaithfulness of our People at Bencoolen & Bentall [and] are well pleased to find a check put to their monstrous extravagancy. But what is more amazing is that M^{r}: Skingle should tell you his conscience cleared him he never intended to wrong us & makes this as he thinks a sufficient excuse for all That he did not understand Acco^{ts}: when as you write he had Squanderd away one hundred & fifty thousand Dollars in one & twenty months & could give no rationall acco$^{t.}$ of

so much as twenty-five thousand thereof laid out to any good purpose; surely nobody that can write but co^{d}: easily keep a Waste book & therein enter what money he paid out & to whom & for what & what he rec$^{d.}$ in & when & from whom w$^{t.}$ goods he bo$^{t.}$ & sett down the Quantity & sorts & what he did with them. If he had kept but such necessary Memorandums as these & the least boy in the Factory could have don somuch a pair of Books might be easily Framed from thence by a good Accomptant but it is evident nothing but intollerable carelessness & villany reigned among them all or else there w^{d}: have been some Books such as they were to be shown whereas your Letters all say there are none to be found that will give light enough to Frame a pair of Books & therefore it was absolutely necessary to take an Inventory of remains from whence to begin a new pair which shall be kept & we expect they be.

58. Our Succeeding Dep$^{ty.}$ Governour Mr. Ettricke writes us that he was endeavouring to find out some former Practices worth our notice which he was not then sufficiently Master of. Wee waited till the next Ships to hear what his discoverys are & hope he wont forget his promises.

59. We find in the Bentall Consultations of the 4th: September a good Regulation Agreed on to prevent the further cheating of us of our Estates That whosoever paid for Boathire Stores provisions &c^{a}: by any Goods excepting ours should loose the whole of what they so bo$^{t.}$ or should not be allowed in acco$^{t.}$ any thing for the Goods they so disposed of in satisfaction of any demands on us. Wee expect the same Regulation be at Bencoolen & on all the Coast & so continued & that you carefully watch all your Subordinates that if their wicked intentions shall pervert any of our or your orders the mischief may be nipt in the bud & the contriver prevented doing or giving an example to others to do more.

60. The Supervisor and his Council did very well in dismissing Mr. Skingle notwithstanding what was mentioned concerning him in our Letter by the Sherborn and Mead when they found his notorious Knavery and abuse of the trust reposed in him. M^{r}: Harrisons excuse in the Letter to Fort S^{t}: George of the 5$^{th.}$ August we esteem a very good one for disobeying that part of our order which we should never have sent but on a supposition he deserved a continuance in his Station as then we hoped he did.

61. They have don us one good piece of Service in recovering from Mr. Skingle above nine thousand Dollars that appeared to be palpoble cheats or errors & in deducting some wrong charges and cheats found out in the Acco$^{t.}$ of Mr. Dudley dec$^{d.}$ at Bentall as appears by the consultation of the 4$^{th.}$ Sept$^{r.}$ we could have been glad if they had found out others to have made some amends to us. Wee hope you will understand our orders sent last year to be still in force notwithstanding the above enquiry's & that you will in obedience to them make such further Scrutinys as you can & get us Reparation where possible & where not to be got there yet let us have the acco$^{t.}$ & how the charge is proved & supported it may have its use here if we can light of any of those not now in the Service or of their Security but then the Proof must be made plain. Send the same also to Fort S^{t}: George.

62. These Letters give a good character of M^{r}. Daniel if he perseveres in well doing he will meritt the continuance of your Favour. You must have a Watchfull eye on that Factory which has been abominably expensive that they dont lavish away our money, if the number of persons there are too many recall such as are not absolutely necessary & take care our money be first laid out in Pepper & all other Issues of our Cash be retrenched as much as possible admitt no pretences for disbursing Summs but what are for Pepper moderate allowances of Provisions Wages & unavoidable repairs & not these last if a round Summ because it is better all the Superfluous Buildings fell down. The Warehouses must be maintained & necessary lodging rooms for the preserving our Peoples healths but go no further without leave from Fort S$^{t.}$ George in express terms not by implication or doubtfull expression. Mr. Harrisson writes he has earnestly recommended to Mess^{rs}. Ettricke & Daniel the retrenching all manner of expences & hopes it will

be taken care of according to his intention. Wee expect this from you all & at all times.

63. Wee dont find any thing recoverd from Mr. Skingle for that Palpable Knavery about buying the Annes Bay Cargo except the Articles of Sugar tho : the whole ought to have been don & if any other were concerned with him they ought to have paid back their share of the ungodly profit. We suppose Mr. Harrison's hasty getting away in the Sherborne (tho' in his Letter to us he proposed to stay to Sept^{r} :) prevented any further Enquirys being made by him.

64. M^{r}. Daniels Affidavit about the Cash Book is not satisfactory he says nothing of that matter only swears he did not embezle any of the Cash in M^{r}. Hoyles Custody nor ever went to it but once whether he was sent for forty Doll^{rs}. whether it was mistake in the Council of Bentall that they did not press him to mention what he knew of the said cash Book or whether it was artfully left out we can't imagine therefore do you enquire further about it for between Holmes Dudley & the rest of them it was gon.

65. This gives us occasion to remark That the Cash Book was deliverd to M^{r}. Dudley before he went to the Northward as Holmes Widow declares & the Letter says was deliverd to M^{r}. Holmes but it seems it is not now to be found. To remedy this in future do you take care to enter in the Consultation Booke the persons names who keep any of the Companys acco^{ts}. or Books & let such Books always lye in the proper Offices of the persons who have charge of them that so in case of sickness or Death they may be come to and whenever any one dyes let the Council appoint who shall succeed the dec^{d}. & take care the comp^{as}. Books under the dec^{ds}.^{t} charge be deliverd over to the successor & a rec^{te}. given by him for them copy of w^{ch}. let be ent^{d}. in y^{e}. Consultation & the Secretary keep the Originall.

66. Wee find a good Regulation made in the Bencoolen consultation Book the 18th. August that the persons who succeed to the Offices of Warehouse Keeper Pepper Godown or Storekeeper shall charge themselves with the remains they find there & examine them accordingly without taking the acco^{t}. of remains as given in in the Lump which we approve of & wonder it was not don before as it plainly appears it was not by the Consultation of the 26th May where M^{r}. Salladine complains that M^{r}. Holmes who was Warehousekeeper & was sent to Batavia gave in an acco^{t}. of remains wherein he found eight Bales of Longcloth wanting in Wareh^{o}. of what charged in that acco^{t}. that he was not appointed provisional Warehousekeeper till the 26th. January at night & next morning Holmes went aboard Ship & when he represented this error to the Gov^{r}. & Council all the answer he could get was when Holmes came back he to be sure could tell what became of them. Surely you will take care to mend this Knavish careless way of proceeding & never suffer any to leave a place till he has adjusted his acco^{ts}: & they are found right nor another to Succeed till the Predecessor has agreed to the remains & the Successor is charged with them for if this be not don Wee shall never know on whom to lay the fault in case of embezlement or other loss.

67. Wee find M^{r}. Harrison was p^{d}. as Supervisor & for Wine expended four hundred & eleven Doll^{rs} : fourteen Satallees but no distinction how much on each acco^{t}. nor w^{t}. quantity of Wine he furnish^{d}. & at what Price nor any mention of the Summ p^{d}. in the Gen^{ll}. Letter which you ought to have advised us of. We find also that the Gunner was allowed by you thirty Doll^{rs}. a month because he Officiated as Gunner and Gent^{n}. of Arms & that you had paid Thirty four Doll^{rs}. for the 17 Sould^{rs} : rec^{d} : from the Sherborn ; these sho^{d}. have been advised of because otherwise if demanded again here we might for want of advice have paid it. Always send us the names of the Souldiers rec^{d} : by every Ship.

68. In the Consultation Booke of the 24th. August at Bentall it is directed to advise to Bencoolen to take Security of Cap^{t}. Lytton for William Dorrill in order to his being entertained at twenty Pounds a year & we find papers of his copying which shows he is so entertained but not a word of it in the Generall Letter nor whether the Security was given.

69. It is frequent to say in the Consultation Booke that on examining the Stewards accoᵗˢ· there is such a Ballance due to or from him but not one word what his disbursements amount to: this must be amended and in the consultation be put the Summ expended and the amount of each article of expence of the month enterd viz. so much for eatables so much for drinkables &cᵃ. to make up the totalls of the whole disbursmᵗ·

70. You shᵈ· also have mentioned in the Genˡˡ· Letter that you pᵈ· forty Dollʳˢ· to the Surgeon of the Fredᵏ· for his attendance on the Sick ashore since the Consultation of the 10ᵗʰ· Septʳ· says you did pay it & that consultation shᵈ· have mentioned also what was the amount of the Depᵗʸ· Govʳ· Phripps Sallary there orderd to be made up & pᵈ· and you ought to have put the accoᵗ: of it in your Genˡˡ· Letter. This careless way must be amended for it is easy to observe how many Frauds may be coverd under it.

71. Your Secretary omitted to date the Genˡˡ· Letter by the Nathˡ· but we found it out by the copy recᵈ· ℔ Carleton & the notice in that Ships Letter. You must always mention in every Succeeding Letter at the beginning of it the date of the last. The Nathˡˢ· Letter says you sent in the Packett the copy of the Letter by the Westmoreland but we cant find it there nor mention of it in the List. These things must not be so but better care taken.

72. You did well to advise us of Capᵗ: Needhams ill usage of Mr. Kingsley & refer us to the papers given in by both of them. Such matters would have been better copyed out & sent in the Packett for our early Information however as it is whenever he returns we shall then discourse the Captain about it & endeavour to do our selves & our Servᵗˢ· Justice & prevent the like in future.

SEVENTHLY TOUCHING OUR ACCOMPTS.

73. Wee have given sufficient directions on this head in former Letters and are now to add That we shall lay the blame on all the Council & particularly on the Depᵗʸ· Govʳ· if the Accoᵗˢ· are not kept up & sent us Yearly & that you may not be blameworthy do you as often as you see fit [send] for the accoᵗˢ· into Consultation to see the progress made therein & if you find the accomptant Dilatory, Quicken admonish and if necessary Suspend him a beneficio till he has don his Duty. Wee expect also that you sometimes look into the Accomptants office & Inspect the Books for there they are always to lye and be broᵗ· up if there is not a proper office for the Accomptant and one for the Secretary make them and let the papers and Books that belong to each be kept therein with the necessary cupboards Shelves & other repositorys to lodge the same in if this be duly complyed with & we possitively order that it be it will be a good preventive to that pernicious practice complained of in the papers before us that no Books or Accoᵗˢ· could be found when the Supervisor &cᵃ· came to Bencoolen for we will not have them removed as Mʳ· Dudley did some which he carryed with him to Bentall he ought not to have gon till he had finished them. If any person dyes who has the charge of any Books or Accoᵗˢ· do you appoint another to take the care of them & let them be deliverd to him by one or two of the Council & he Sign the List of them he receives which List let the Secretary keep & its copy be enterd in the consultation Book.

74. The Storekeepers Warehousekeepers Stewards & all other persons accoᵗˢ· ought to be kept by the respective persons & when at the years end they are settled & the Ballance taken let that be carryd into new Books & the former Books deliverd into the Accomptants Office which we think more proper than the Secretarys as Mʳ· Harrison directed.

75. Thᵒ: these things are so obvious that the most ordinary understanding can judge they ought so to be yet we think it necessary to lay down the rule to prevent any future complaint of ignorance mistakes or any other excuses for want of a regular keeping up all our business in an honest mercantile method.

76. Mʳ· Harrisons Instructions in the Genˡˡ· are very good and we expect they be observed punctually and carefully and as well with relation to the

curtailing the expences of the tables disposing of the Horses as the rest except in the reducing of the whole charges of the Coast to thirty thousand Dollars a year which in the Letter the Council of York Fort wrote the 5th. August to Fort St. George they say it shall be twenty five thousand to thirty thousand Dollrs. but we think ought to be considerably less & we can't see but by good mannagement it may Generally speaking be further reduced; however for our better Information send us annually an Abstract of every Item of the Expēce on the West Coast & where any of them are not so intelligible explain them. This Abstract may be in this method at each place so many persons naming them at each his Sallary ℔ annum in the whole so much so many Officers of the Military & Souldiers at each so much℔ month the charges of dyet so much ℔ month at each place charges on such a number of Slaves so much on the Gunroom crew Lascars &ca. so much repairs naming where & wt: is don for it so much charges on the Boats or vessells as particularized in a former Para. so much & so of every Item of the Genll. charge of the place; mention also the allowances made to any of the Governing Mallays by name & where & for what reason. This is easily to be don when once put into a method & can on perusing your Books be drawn out in a few hours if any Ships come away in less than ye. year draw it out six or eight more or fewer months & send the Copys to us by double Conveyances Send them also to Fort St. George as opportunity offerrs.

77. When we see this Acco. we can the better Judge how the charge arises & wherein it can reasonably be abated for the future.

78. Mr: Harrisons Instructions to Mr. Daniel when he went to Bentall do you also take care be punctually & in all parts complyed with & whenever you find them in the least broken admit of no excuses but bring away the Chief from thence & send or appoint another; toties quoties & whoever shall not comply with the Instructions beforementioned which he left with Mr: Ettricke at Bencoolen let them know you will not sufferr it & if they dont mend suspend them & advise to Madrass; if they be of the Council Suspend them only a beneficio till further directions from Madrass to whom write the true & full state of the case & let the culpable person send his answer also if he thinks fit but then as we hereby direct that you give him a copy of your charge so let him give you a copy of his answer that both may agree on the stating of the Facts or make their objections thereto which send altogether for their ultimate decision.

79. Wee are content with the Agreement made with Mr: Griffith who undertook the Books that he have the Sallary of the Accomptant for his pains in case he keeps them well and Instructs others as he promised.

80. Wee are credibly informed That above a thousand baggs of Petre did till lately lye in the Godownes at Bencoolen till the Baggs were rotten & it was not so much as known by the people then in being that there was that petre there; such was the unaccountable carelessness & Stupidity or Knavery of our then Servts: which we only mention here to caution you & all under you not to be blameworthy in any the like case. We are

Your Loving Friends,

Jonathn: Andrews	Wm: Cotesworth
Gregory Page	Willm: Humfreys
Peter Godfrey	Willm: Dawsonne
Nathanl: Herne	John Cooke
George Mathew	Edmd: Harrison
John Eyles	Fredk: Herne
Nicho: Tourton	John Ward
Henry Lyell	John Fleet
William Hewre	

GENERAL LETTER TO FORT ST. GEORGE, DATED DECEMBER 28, 1711. PER MARLBOROUGH, KENT, RECOVERY AND MARY. [*Letter Book, Vol.* 14, *pp.* 380–1 (*India office transcript*).]

LONDON, 28TH DECEMBER, 1711.

OUR PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

Wee the Court of Directors of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies being very desirous to do what may be most convenient for the safety of our returning Ships from all Parts of India have thought fitt to appoint and desire Sir Jonathan Andrewes, Sir Edmond Harrison, Sir George Mathew, and Gregory Page Esq^{r}:, or any three of them, to be a Secrett Committee to give Directions to our President for the time being for his Ordering home all such of our Ships now going out, or which are then in India, as shall be dispatcht by you for England the next Season after this Arrives with you, either for Summer or Winter voyages, and to that end you must in your open Instructions direct the Severall Commanders to follow the said Presidents orders with relation to their sailing homeward.

2. Wee would have our President keep the orders of the Secrett Committee, which come herewith, private, and let no Person whatsoever know their Contents, which orders so given to each Commander must be sealed up, Superscribed to be opened when the said Commander comes into such Lattitude as the Secrett Committee shall direct, and if they omitt to appoint any, then in such Lattitude as the President thinks proper and not before, and when they are opened that the Mates and Purser be then present and make an attestation thereof under their hands, which they are to make oath of if required at their Arrivall here, and let the Captain keep the said Attestation by him.

3. If any of the Ships shall be dispatcht so late as that they cant get about the Cape, which wee hope will not happen especially considering our orders of the last four years, wee would then have the Commanders be directed to Winter at Point de Galle on the Island Zeylon, where they need not stay longer than the beginning of July, or if they are Dispatcht in a proper Season to get about the Cape and yet by unhappy and unforeseen Accidents shall be forced back after they have used their utmost endeavours to effect it, in such case order them to go to Mauritius.

4. Order the Commanders to be very carefull how they make Mauritius, and to be always on their guard and keep constant looking out to prevent being Surprized by an Enemy, whether the French, the Pyrates, or any others, and secure themselves in the best manner they can by getting Gunns ashore and otherwise during their stay at such Place on that Island as they Judge most safe for them, but if the Secrett Committee shall otherwise direct, you must follow their orders.

Wee are
Your Loving Friends,

NIC^{o}: TOURTON	HENRY LYELL
JOHN WARD	NATHANIEL HERNE
RICHARD COCKE	FREDERICK HERNE
WM. HUMFREYS	ROBERT CHILD
WM. COTESWORTH	JOHN EYLES
JOHN FLEET	EDWARD GIBBON
WM. HEWER	PETER GODFREY

Mem: Three letters of the same Tenour and dated the 28th Dec^{r}:, 1711, were Signed by the same Gentlemen and directed Our President & Council of Fort St. George, & sent per Marlborough, Kent and Recovery, also three letters of the same tenour & date and directed Our President and Council of Bengall, and sent per Mary, Marlborough and Kent.

GENERALL LETTER TO FORT S^{T}: GEORGE, DATED FEBRUARY 2, 1712. RECEIVED JUNE [29] 1713. PER KING WILLIAM. [*Public Despatches from England, Volume* 17, *pages* 1–60.]

LONDON THE 2^{D} FEBRUARY [1712]

BY Y^{E}: K^{G}: WILLIAM, HANNOVER & FREDERICK.

OUR PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}: GEORGE.

dates of ye· preceeding years letters.

1. Wee wrote you last on the 28th· December 1711 by our Ship[s], Marlborough Kent and Recovery, which being sent by all three ships wee dont now enclose its copy. The Secretary also by our order sent you a short Letter dated the 7th: Decem^{r}· by Captain Reid of the Arabella a separate stock ship advising what ships were returned from, and such others as were designed for all Parts of India, and also another short Letter of the 6th February last sent by the Marlborough and Kent giving cover to copy of our Generall Letter to Bencoolen dated the same day and sent by the Successe that you might see what we had wrote thither and in consequence be better able to examine how far our orders therein had been observed.

dates of ye· Lettrs· recd: from Ft· St· George.

2. Since those Letters wee have receivd your severalls of the following dates viz^{t}· of the 8th February 1710/11 designed by the Preceding President and Councill to be sent on the Bouverie but it was only a copy whereas it should have been signed and made an Originall, of the 31st March following which wee receivd from Bombay and its copy by the Bouverie, as also your large Letter of the 20th August and 4th Septem^{r}: 1711 by the said ship and Tankerville, Copy of that of the 5th October sent by the Danes, your Originall Letter of the 1st· 13th· and 17th· of October by the Hallifax and Success of the 22nd December, 4th· and 7th· January following by the Averilla, and two short Letters one of the 8th· the other of the 10th· of that month by the Same ship, by her also wee receivd a Packett from Fort S^{t}· Davids, the Generall Letter being dated the 18th of the said month to all which wee are now to give answer.

the dates of all letters to be mentd: in ye· body of ye· letter.

3. Some of the Dates of your aforesaid Letters are taken from the Endorsements for wee dont find them all the body of the Letters: for the future it would be better That you mention the different date in the body in the middle of the leaf where those Paragraphs begin that were written at such intermediate times, because when it has happend that you have had occasion to insert things that have fallen out in the preceding month which you generally express by the word ultimo, this leaves us in the doubt whether it refers to the month before the last or first date of your Letter though it would be most plain to name on all such occasions the month, its [date].

[at] ye· beginning of every Lettr· always mentn· the date of yo^{r}· last.

4. And for our greater certainty you should in every succeeding Letter at the beginning of it, mention the date of the last, this was omitted to be done in your generall Letter by the Bouverie, thô it is afterwards exprest that you wou'd send the two copys beformentioned in the Packett and wee suppose there were no other Letters wrote us besides but cant be sure as wee might by your observing this method now proposed.

all copys of letters to be signd by ye· Govr· & Councll·

5. Wee observe the copys of Generall Letters are neither so well wrote nor carefully transcribed as the Originalls wherefore for the future make those copys originalls by your signing of them which can be no trouble considering you are all on the place and besides they are of greater Validity on all occasions when so signed.

all our ordrs & directs to be lookd on as standing rules.

6. Having wrote at large by our last years shipping as well as formerly touching our affairs under your Government & Inspection and having often told you That wee look on our Orders & Directions as generall Standing Rules except

as therein excepted, Wee think it will be needless to reply to some parts of these Letters now before us which only give an acco^{t}· how our orders have been executed, and shall be shorter or larger on others as wee Judge proper.

the supplements of lett^{rs}. to be alwayes rang'd under y^{e} : establishd heads.

7. Your Letters have been all of them generally wrote as wee directed under the proper establishd heads as to the greatest part of them but the Supplements not so, Wee would have observe the same method for them too, thô it be a little more trouble, The reason is weé can the readyer turn to the advices when wee know before hand under what head wée are like to find what wee seek for, and when every matter relating to each Head is collected together without anything intervening, It gives a better view of the whole and setts it in a better light as well to the Writer as Reader. Wee now proceed.

FIRST, CONCERNING SHIPPING SENT OUT & RETURND.

arr^{d}· in England from India.

8. Since the date of our Letter by the Marlborough &c^{a} : ships It has Pleased God to send us home in Safety the ships following Viz^{t}. The Mead frigott from Bencoolen arrivd in Ireland in February and did not get hither till May, The Successe Capt^{n}· Clapham arrived the 31st May, The Windsor from Mocha & Bombay having stayd a considerable time for convoy at Lisbon imported the 24th June, The Bouverie and Hallifax from the Coast & Bay, and the Tankerville from Bombay but last from your place accompanyd the Dutch Fleet from the Cape into Holland and gott hither the 5th September. The S^{t}· George and Aurengzebe from the Bay, The Averilla from the Coast, The Rochester and Hester from China, The Catharine from Bombay and Thistleworth from Bencoolen were convoyd from S^{t} : Helena by Three of Her Majestys ships sent out for them : they left S^{t} : Helena the 20th : July last, and proceeding directly up channell arrivd in the Downes the 24th : Septem^{r}.

Sherborne a miss^{g} ship to the management of her disapprovd.

9. The Sherborn as Captain Goodman says came in his Company from the Bay but was Separated in a Storm in about Eight Degrees South Lattitude on this side Ceylon he believes she is safe because he heard or saw no signalls of distress, wee have heard nothing of her as yet. Wee are sorry to find by the Extract of her Invoyce her lading is upwards of Four hundred and Thirteen Thousand Rupees, considering how weak she was and the distracted ships Company on board of which wee wrote largely last year to the Bay, and hinted our dislike that they should load any thing considerable on her up to the Fort considering these circumstances. If she should come safe wee cant approve our Peoples mannagement in venturing so great a Stock on so small a Vessell and the rather when she was taken up for only a Pepper Voyage and had been ten days aground on the Molle Valley sand off Jaffnapatam, and with difficulty gott off. It would have been much more to our liking if when she was at Madrass she had been sent to Bencoolen to fill up as the Tenth Paragraph of the Letter of the 8th : February gave us hopes and the reasons there mentiond were good that so by her you might have sent those Stores & Petre you orderd afterwards by other ships because you had no news of the Jane in October when you must think her a late ship, nor any advices from the West Coast in Twelve months before of which you very sadly and justly complain. Wee should have been glad if you had sent some Persons to Bencoolen to act provissionally till the Jane arriv'd.

Ships sent out to India.

10. The ships sent out & sending to all parts of India this season are Viz^{t} : The Success-our own ship Capt^{n} : Clapham Comānd^{r} : for Mocha & thence to Bombay with her Lading of coffee, thence to return to Mocha for another cargo and so hither, she saild from Plymouth the 10th : Novem^{r} :

	Tons.		
The Loyall Blisse ...	350	Capt^{n}· Robert Hudson	for Canton & England.
The Hannover ...	460	Capt^{n}· James Osborne	for the Coast & Bay.
The Frederick ...	350	Capt^{n}· Richard Phrip	for the Coast & Bay.
The King William ...	350	Capt^{n}· Nehemiah Winter	for the Coast & Bay.
The Cardigan ...	400	Capt^{n}· Richard Grainger	for the Bay.

		Tons.	
The Sussannah	...	300	Capt^{a} · Richard Pinnell for Bencoolen.
A new Ship	...	400	Capt^{a} · Edward Arlond for Bombay.

The Loyall Blisse has her Dispatches, and wee hope to advise you she is saild before the conclusion of this Letter.

Sussannas Chart^{r} :p^{ty}: not yet setled.

11. Wee have not yet setled the Charterparty of the Susanna nor can tell you when she is likely to arrive Bencoolen for that wee have some thoughts to send her first to S^{t}: Helena, according as the present Prospect of Peace encreases or lessens on the present negotiations on foot. There has been a cessation of armes between England & France it commencd in August last and ended in Decem^{r}· and has been renewd again to the 11th· of Aprill next, but no particular mention is therein made touching Acts of Hostility beyond the Line.

Cessatn: of armes between England & France.

Bombay ship to be dispatchd in march.

12. Wee propose to dispatch the new ship for Bombay in March as usuall.

Secret Committees ord^{rs}· to be observd.

13. If you shall receive any Directions from our Secrett Committee who for this year are S^{r}· Jonathan Andrewes and S^{r}· George Mathew Kn^{ts}· Robert Nightingale and Gregory Page Esq^{rs}· or any Three of them touching the sailing of our ships gone out or going, for their return home or proceeding to any Ports or Places for their greater Security Wee would have you observe them as if signed by the whole Court.

Reasons for sending out so little Tonage.

Ships freights lowered to £24 & £27 & ye: Demorage at 7d ℔ Ton ℔ diem.

14. Our reasons for sending out so little Tonnage and Stock this year in comparison of what wee used to do are the great number of ships now abroad, The dearness of Goods especially from the Bay, the dearness and badness of Goods on the Suratt side, the Scarcity of Goods with you, the fear of Demorage, the Low prices of Goods at our markett and the Quantitys of Goods arrived and expected together with the hopes wee have of an approaching setled Peace, which when it shall please God to grant wee rationally conclude wee may reduce our Freights and Demorage to the ancient Rates. The prospect of it has so far lowerd them already that these Ships Freights are Twenty four Pounds and Twenty Seaven Pounds a Ton and the Demorage at Seaven Pence ℔ Ton ℔ Diem as you will see by the charterpartys in the Packett.

What stores sent y^{o}: will see by y^{e}: Invoices.

15. In each Ships Packett you will also find her Invoyce and Bill of Lading by which you will see what sorts and Quantitys of Goods Stores and Supplys of all Sorts wee have sent you whereto wee refer you.

Clause in ye: Capt^{s}. instructins: for their keepg: Compa: continued.

Diligt enquiry to be made into ye· occasn· of their partg.

16. Wee continue in every Captains Instructions the clause wee advised you of last year for their keeping company and is as binding as if inserted in charterparty, because there is a covenant therein that the captain shall follow our orders. But if any of them should not comply therewith dont you fail to give us notice and wee will do our Selves right, and that you may send us the account more express and full do you make diligent enquiry as well as of the captains which are Separated from as of them which do Separate what was the occasion of their parting Company that wee may come at the naked truth of the case.

Stock sent out £218000: 120000 £ for ye· Bay the remd^{r}· for ye· Coast. Abstracts of their Cargos sent in ye· Packet.

17. The amount of these four ships cargos wee design shall be about Two Hundred and Eighteen Thousand pounds of which for the Bay Presidency One hundred and Twenty Thousand pounds the rest for the Fort, and that you may be at a greater certainty what part of the cargo on the Three Ships shall be sent to the Bay to make up their quota, wee herewith send you Abstracts of the cargoes of each of the four Ships to remedy your Complaint that you could not tell what to send down to the Bay last year.

ye· resons for not reparting ye· Coast & Bay Cargos approvd of, but to be done wn· circumstances will admit.

18. Wee observe your reasons for not reparting the coast & Bay Goods and acquiesce therein, but at the same time must add Wee should be glad when it can be done, and that it may sometimes wee are sure of viz^{t}: when you have any Goods in Warehouse to spare and are Sending our Europe ships down to the Bay and in the like manner the Bay may send you up a quantity from thence.

19. Wee have been so monstrously abused by our People at Suratt in the Goods purchased there as well on account of the excessive dear prices they are charged at as the badness of the Goods themselves that wee have Resolved to order two Ships from that side to be sent to the Coast or Bay each about Four hundred Tons and to put on each ship a proper cargo of about Sixty Thousand Pounds value, this wee give you notice of and shall do the same to the Bay, To the end that when they come you may provide them cargo's in the same manner as wee have directed for these Ships, as to the sorts and proportions of Goods un[less] in our Orders to Bombay wee shall otherwise direct, and in that case you are to follow the advices our Generall and Councill there shall send you.

monstrously abused by ye people at Surat.

two ships of abot 400 tuns to be sent from yr side to ye Coast or Bay, wth Cargos of abot. 60000 £ value each.

Loadings to be provided for ym

20. The notices you give us of what supplyd to ships either of Monys or Petre or otherwise of their sort Tonnage, by ill stowage or the Captains encroachments of their Dammaged Goods of the times of their arrivall or departure, of their Surveys before lading for England, of the Voyages they are sent upon while in the countrey, of the Goods receivd from the Bay or elsewhere, of your Resolutions to amend what found fault with in relation to Ships and Commanders transactions, and all other the like necessary advices wee approve and would have continued.

notices giv'n in formr Lettrs; approv'd of & to be continued.

21. For the future advise in your Generall Letter the Sumes paid to the Surgeons for Souldiers Head Mony, which is thereby better preserved than when only the accot is sent in a loose Paper in the Packett that may be lost or thô directed be forgott to be sent.

the sums pd ye Surgeons for Head mony to be mentd in ye lettr

22. The account given in the 9th: Paragraph of the Letter of the 8th February designd by the Bouverie of Capta: Phrips imposing on you to gett the small & ffine Bales, and then refusing to take in the Brown cloth gives a very good Specimen of the understanding and conduct of those then at the head of our affairs to suffer such a thing and then very gravely give us an account of it. Wee hope this will be so no more: you cant but know every Captain is willing to get the most proffitable Tonnage and that Brown cloth being more bulky than other Bales they would gladly be without it, That when you have different sorts of Bales it is most equitable to divide the best and worst among all the ships equally, and those very Captains who find the Success of their outwitting you are thereby encouraged to further attempts.

Mr. Fraser & Councll. blamd for suffering Capt. Phrip to impose on ym, wth. relatn. to fine goods.

23. The clearing of the ship Chindadre when seizd by the French & carryed to Ponticherry merrits Commendation. You do well to keep a good Correspondence with that place and thereby prevent impending mischiefs which is always best or retrieve them when they befall you as in this case. Wee hope the War will speedily be at an end and then yor too well grounded fears of the mischiefs they may do your Countrey Trade will be at an end. In the interim the Success of this case will wee doubt not animate you to a like endeavour if ever any of your Private Shipping should unfortunately fall into their hands.

the clearing of ye Chindadre at Pontichery commended by a good correspondence wth yt place advisd to.

24. Your care to lodge advices early at Negapatam & Trincombar four our Europe expected Ships that they may avoid the French is well done, wee approve of it and your setling the method for early advices to and from the Bay by Tappy[1] Peons at particular stages which as you write the Traders of Madrass will bear half the charge of, also of the sending souldiers on board the ships when in your Road & the French were on the coast, and advice Vessells to get Intelligence of their motions as wee do of the advices sent to the Streights of Mallacca and Batavia for preventing the danger the Howland or any other yor China ships might run into of the French. These things bespeak our commendation as they are the effect of a prudent foresight & active application.

lodging advices at Negapm. & Trincombarr, laying Tappy peons to Bengll. &ca. approvd.

[1] Means 'post'. See under 'Tappaul' on page 900 of *Hobson-Jobson*.

the reasons for not sendg ye. Sherborne to Vizagapatm. very weak.

25. The reasons given for not sending the Sherborn to Vizagapatam but hiring another Ship at One hundred Pagodos a month appear to us very weak considering Wee dont find she did any thing in the meantime towards her Demorage except in carrying Souldiers &c^{a} to S^{t} Davids where she stayd from the beginning of March to the later end of July. It is very odd That in the compass of Seaven or Eight Paragraphs you should discover such a fluctuation of

the fluctuatns. of opinions in managemets. of ye. yn. Councll with relatn to ye: ship concerned.

opinions, in the 10th Parag^{h} you are sending her to Bencoolen and give good reasons why she should proceed thither. In the 17th: Parag^{h}: you had thoughts of sending her with the Bouverie laden for England but the reasons for not doing it because she had not half her men, for which you ought to have Protested against the captain, and she could not fill up at S^{t} Davids because of the neighbourhood of the ffrench which were both substantiall put you off that thought, and there you leave it and the ship too for any thing appears in the Letters, had not y^{e} consultation mention'd it which wee lately receivd. Wee see no reason why one of our Vessells might not have gone on that Expedition and the Sherborn been sent to Bencoolen, nor why you should omit mentioning in your Letter she was sent to S^{t}: Davids, Wee wonder those of our then Councill should sign such a Letter and thereby consent to & approve of so weak a mannagement, thô it deserves a harsher expression. Wee shall have occasion before the close of this Letter to take notice of their Supineness or passive tempers in other matters and of saying and unsaying as they do in one and another Letter. It looks to us as if they thought their business was nothing more than to sign the Letters as presented them, and that they had forgot their station of being councellours authorized them to advise debate approve or disapprove of the nature of the case requird.

Notices concerning Capt Cornwalls Kintlage lead commended, but ye: amot: should have been mentd: in ye: Genll: Lettr:

26. You did well to send us notice That you receivd Capt^{a} Cornwalls Kintlage Lead and since he had no Invoyce to ascertain the Prime cost to order him only a Receipt for the amount but you dont mention what that is. Wee were obliged to go to the Consultation of the 24th: February to find it, such notices should not be omitted in the Generall Letter because it often happens, that your Consultation Books reach but to Decem^{r} at furthest, and had the Sherborn been Dispatcht as you once thought in February, most likely wee must have staid till the next season for that Book.

ye reasons for detaining the Bouverie not found fault wth: but ye: F. S^{t}: David Gentn: were culpable for not sendg: ye: bales up sooner.

27. The reasons given why the Bouverie was detaind as the case then stood by the French hovering about for her wee dont find fault with, but think our People at Fort S^{t}: Davids were culpable in not sending up their Bales Sooner, for as the neighbourhood of Ponticherry makes it always hazardous to send our ships thither to fill up when the French are on the coast, an ordinary understanding might conclude it would be most eligible to lodge their Investments in Madrass as soon as possible, and to be sure by the time they would be wanted to dispatch the Europe Shipping. Our People in the Bay too were blame worthy, for why could not the Bouverie have been dispatcht to Madrass as the Tankerville was to Suratt. Wee must further observe the reasons enterd in your Consultation of the 6th Aprill to excuse the Bouveries being sent to Vizagapatam are trivial and look as if you would be content with anything if it were an excuse or lookt like one.

excusing ye Bouveries from going to Vizagapm: found fault [with].

28. By the 14th Parag^{h} of your Letter by the Bouverie dated in August & Septem^{r} you seem to mistake the meaning of our 28th Parag^{h} by the Dartmouth &c^{a} for you apprehend wee would approve of your venturing our secrett orders overland by Pattamars[1]: if you reconsider it you will find no such conclusion can be drawn from thence. Wee therein told you our People in the Bay advised us had any one of the three ships been sent them which then were at Madrass they could have employd her on Freight to Persia or Suratt & since

(1) Applies both for foot-runners as well as for native vessels with masts, common on the West Coast, page 687 *Hobson-Jobson*.

none did go this further mischief attended that they did not receive the secret orders of that year, but wee cant think it adviseable to send such matters of the last consequence by Pattamars. If our President had found those Secret orders were of the same Import with what sent the preceding year, he might in Generall Terms have intimated so much but if they differd as to Rendezvous or other such materiall passage he ought only to trust them by shipping with express charge to heave them overboard in case of danger.

ye secret ordrs: not be venturd by Pattamars.

29. You should never fail (and wee hope you will not for the future omit) to supply St. Helena with arrack, Sugar, Rice, proper Sorts of cloth for the use of the Island, and other Stores to the full amount of one ℔ cent of each ships Tonnage, taking care they be good of the kind, thô they be not so cheap as in the Bay, the reason is because for want of such Supplys from us they buy them up of the Captains at any rate & make us pay it by drawing Bills, for the Planters will have Liquors cost what it will & as they always have credit in the Stores for the work of the Blacks they Supply, for quartering of Souldiers &c[a]: and then buying these of the Captains, they discharge their creditts by Bills on us whereas if they were supplyd out of their Stores, those Draughts on us would at least in great measure if not wholly be prevented for these stores help to pay our charge of the place by the Proffitt upon them.

St Helena to be always supplyd wth arrack &ca & ye reasons why.

30. Captain Raymonds seizing a Vessell in your Road, supposing her to belong to the French was a very Precipitate action and such as you must never suffer as things have hitherto stood between Ponticherry and Madrass. Your resentment thereof was necessary and since as you write his Submission was some attonement wee shall say no more of it here but to tell you wee never have consented to any Captains taking out Letters of Marque for fear they should be tempted to run out of their way in hopes of booty & thereby hazard our Estates by catching a Tartar.

Capt Raymonds seizg: a Vessell in yor road is wt yo must never suffer.

Commr taking out lettrs: of Marque nevr consented to.

31. The account you give us of Captain Goodmans arrivall from Point De Galle and his taking out the mony from the Companys Treasure on board shall be strictly enquird into in order to obtain our just Satisfaction, as also what made him stay so long at that Port as you have represented the case and which seems to be only matter of fact. It looks very foul that he never gave you any acco[t] of his taking out any Treasure till you found the chests fell short of what Invoyced, and when he did could not produce ye attestations of his Officers for what he did take as is usuall in such cases, this makes it look yet worse.

Capt Goodmans taking ye mony of ye Compas treasure is very foul.

32. The Tankervilles touching at Madrass in her way to Bombay and again in her way from thence to Europe is very surprizing & what wee should have made a strict enquiry into the reason of but Capt[a] Newnam dying at the Cape prevents us in great measure however wee shall let the Owners know wee shall not pay Demorage for the sinister ends or mismannagement of the Commander.

Tankervilles touching at Madrass in her way to Europe very surprizing

33. You did well to send us the Account where our Countrey Vessells belonging to Fort St George are, and how employd, but you have not thereby fully answerd the directions of our 30th. Paragraph by the Dartmouth of sending an account of the particulars of their annuall charge, you say you will do it, but it is not as yet that wee can find in the Packett, take care to prevent such omissions for the future. Wee were the more desirous of it at this time That wee might see what they stood us in before this new settlement of our Councill, & how far the totall amount is & will be reckond. The Generall accounts when they came only show in gross so much paid by the Pay Master and that is all whereas it will be more satisfactory to know how the Totall arises from the foot of each Particular branch that makes it up.

You did well to send us an accot of our Country vessells & how employd, but be more ℔ticlr for ye future.

Accot: of ships arriving at [&] sailing from ft. St. George to be annually sent.

34. Wee find in the Bouveries Packett No. 49 and 50 an acco[t] of ships arrivall at and departure from Fort S[t]. George from January to August 1711, which wee like, such notices often prove advantagious but by the two Succeeding Ships there is no Account of what have arrived or departed since. Wee desire you will send them yearly. It is no great trouble to Collect or transcribe such Papers, and thô our Principall care is for matters of greater moment, yet these smaller things should not be altogether neglected.

Yo[r]. resentment of ye ships going from Bencoolen to Batavia we approve.

35. Wee approve of yo[r]. just Resentment of that ill practice of ships going from Bencoolen to Batavia after laden for England by which they loose a great deal of time as you mention in your 145[th]. Paragraph by the Bouverie was the case of the Mead frigott, who thô dispatcht time enough to have been a Summer Ship yet by that deviation did not get clear of the Streights of Sunda till June and as beforementiond you will find she did not get to Ireland till February following. Wee recommend to you to put an effectuall stop as you promise you will to such prejudiciall practices and if you shall as yo[r]. next Paragraph intimates, Supply them with a Vessell or two to fetch stores from Batavia when wanted, and at other times to visit and fetch Pepper from the Subordinate Factoryes. Wee hope you will give effectuall orders That they make them answer these ends and not let them lye and rott that they may have a pretence of employing their own Ships at an extravagant charge as you will find was the case of a sloop or two they had formerly and that they may not do you keep in your minds to enquire as often as you can what they do with such Vessells, and order them to Send you a monthly Account of the Totalls of every Item of their charge as wee have directed about ours at Madrass, and also where & how they are employd every month all the year long. By this means when they see they are to particularize their Expences they will have the less opportunity to cover any frauds under the Articles of Disbursements charged only in the Lump. Remember also what formerly promised of sending them some Lascars of the same sort of your Gunroom crew, who in the Intervalls of Voyages are to do work on shore, whereby wee hope to be much better & cheaper served then by the idle & proud Mallays for whose wages prodigious Sumes have been or been pretended to have been disbursed and little or nothing done for it.

if you supply ym. wth. vessels take care they are well employd to a ꝑticlr: acco[t]. of their monthly charge sent yo.

remember also to send ym. some Lascars.

if ye warr continues we shall practise ye Dutch methods of our ships sailing in squadrons.

36. Wee hope by the present prospect of a Speedy approaching Peace there will be no need of practicing after the Dutch method & which you recommend to us in yo[r]. 156[th]. and 157[th]. Paragraph of Sending our Ships in a body as they did in calling at their Settlements along the coast for their Investments. But if the War should continue wee will consider of it & reduce it to practice So far as the circumstances of our affairs will permit & do approve of your Sending ours to S[t] Davids for their greater Security in case the French should have come on the coast at that Season.

no Redwood nor no more Saltpetre yn: absolutely necessary to be sent home.

Susannah carrys out her whole Kentila e in iron.

37. You will see under the head of Investments That wee would have no Redwood till further order nor no more Salt Petre than is absolutely necessary to make our Ships sail worthy, having so great a quantity remaining in Warehouse and the consumption comparatively but small, so that the main reason for your proposall in the 88[th]. Parag[h]. of your Letter by the Hallifax of sending our Bencoolen ships first to Madrass ceases, and our ship Susannah will carry out whole Kintlage in Iron, which thô so much Dead loss is wee reckon a less one than if she brought home Petre considering how dear it costs by the time it is put ashore at Bencoolen and its low price here, however as things then stood Wee dont blame yo[r]. care in taking care that place should be supplyd as mentioned in Severall places of your Letters.

concerns. Separate stock ships.

38. Wee observe what you write touching the capture of the Separate Stock ship Oxford by the folly of the People on board, and of the proceedings of the two remaining ships John & Elizabeth and Mermaid which you do well to acquaint us withall, wee told you last year what the Parliam[t]. had done relating to that stock and how soon it will determine. This year wee have had three Entrys with us on the Windsor Cap[t]. Tovey, The Joséph Cap[t]. Moucher, and the Concord Cap[t].

Newton, herewith you have the copys of each entry, Wee believe these will be the last, and that they will hardly adventure to ship out another year, considering the shortness of their time to return in, So that you will soon see an end of that Trade which by the connivance of some of our Servants who have secretly supported them has been detrimentall to us in divers respects. Whither these ships are bound wee cant be certain, however shall send the same Entrys to our other Settlements for the Generall notice of all our Councills & do expect That you take care to be well informed as far as you are able what cargos they bring & whether they have exceeded their Lycence and consequently broke the act which if so will incur a forfeiture, and let us know what you can learn on enquiry. Wee have formerly directed you how to proceed in that case whereto wee refer. Wee rely on the promise you make us in the 161st. Paragraph ℔ Bouverie That you will give them no further Encouragement than what the Law directs. It is a Currant Report here that they would not have gone out with these Small Stocks but on the assurance of bringing home the Estates of our own Servants and other Inhabitants. Wee tell you this and would have you let every body know it, That if wee find anything of it, wee shall use the utmost rigour of the Law to forfeit them, as wee are now doing with Severall quantitys of Goods put privately on board the last convoys at St. Helena & in the returning Voyage & enterd at the Customhouse. But our Councill tell us they are forfeited, we add further that if wee know any of our servants are concern'd therein we shall expell them our service as wee also will if they send any of their Effects on the Danes.

39. You always will find in our Packetts a manifest of Goods Lycenced by our committee to be sent on board the ship by which it comes to the end You may know what wee do permit and may receive the Custom due thereon, letting none of it be clandestinely brought ashore. You may also thereby know whether any are Secretly put on board without our order, which if so they are forfeitable. Wee Suppose the clerk to the Committee of shipping who signes each Manifest gives the accot. exactly excepting only what is containd in the Generall Victualling Bill. Therefore if you find anything of consequence seiz it or if you have reason to apprehend it might be omitted by the Clerk advise us what it is, by whom claimd and the value for our future orders, sending us authentick certificate thereof.

we always send a manifest by every ship of what goods licenced to be shipped on her & if any come without our order they are forfeitable.

SECONDLY CONCERNING GOODS SENT FROM EUROPE.

40. The Invoyces will show you what sorts and quantitys of Woollen and other Manufactures Stores of all sorts & other supplys wee have sent you according to the Lists receivd by these Ships together with the cost of each.

Ye: Invoices will show wt. stores &ca. sent you.

41. Our Committee of Buying have complyd exactly with your List of Woollen Goods as to quantitys & sorts and have also added thereto two Boxes of Gold and Silver Thread & Fifteen Embost cloths which they hope will turn to good account, they have likewise sent two Rich saddles & Bridles as you desired, But did not think fitt to add any Guilt Carpetts till they hear how the others sold or what value was put upon them because you write they are usefull for Presents but you dont as yet find any Demand for them, you will with the Packetts receive the Patterns of severall woollen goods sent for your better Information as to colours & sorts of cloth.

yor: list of demands pretty near complyd with.

42. It is necessary here to acquaint you That in severall of the Lists of stores &ca. the numbers were in figures only notwithstanding our desire that they should be put into words at length as well as figures as Wee do in our Orders for Investments for it is very easy mistake by putting a cyphor too much or too little thrô hast or heedlesness & want of after examination, and in the List of Goods desired receivd by the Hallifax. It is wrote thus—Guilt Papers Same as this year Pieces Fourty-eight—which should have been Carpetts, as the Duplicate of the same List by another ship explaind it. This wee only mention to show how carefully such things should be examind.

the list of demands always to be in words at length as well as in figures.

ꝑticlr. Care to be taken for the future to distinguish between ye. sevll. sorts of cloth demanded.

43. In that List is mentiond That the Sale of the Fine cloth depends much on the Lustre of the Dye, and that all the Fine Reds should have white Lists which on enquiry is found to be most in esteem. This our Committee take to be a mistaken description & suppose by Fine Reds is meant Auroras for all those cloths which from time to time are Invoyced to you. Reds have no such Lists. You will do well therefore to take particular care to distinguish between Reds, Auroras, Scarlets & Crimsons in all yo^{r}. future Lists.

part of ye. auroras now sent have white Lists.

44. Wee have taken care that part of the Aurora's now sent have White Lists & the rest should but that they were provided before the said demand came to hand.

complaint about ye: reds not particlr: enuff.

45. In that demand are these words, The Reds this year are not so good a Dye as they should be and there is great complaint of the Reds by the S^{t}. George here and in Bengall. These are only assertions in Generall, you should have been more particular and exprest which of the Bales were so &c^{a}: as was directed in the 45th. Paragraph of our letter by the Dartmouth and more fully the year before. Then wee could have known whom to blame of our Dyers Packers or other workmen and have sought our remedy and who they are the number of the Bale and cloth & other marks upon it will prove, Whereas a charge in Generall fixes nowhere at least everybody will shift the blame from himself. Wee fear by this that your List of Goods Stores &c^{a}. desired are not perused, well considerd and approved in consultation as they ought to be, for if they were wee believe they would come more correct. The Reds now sent are Bright colours & wee hope will please.

The direct: in ye: Dartmouths letter to be observd.

the mildew will brush off ye: cloth.

46. Our Packers tell us That whenever your cloth proves mildew'd If you open & brush it well the mildew will brush off & not hurt the cloth, this wee note to you for yo^{r}: Information and practice.

Directs: in formr: lettrs: concerng ye: Wollen manufacture to be observd.

47. Wee shall not hear repeat the Directions wee sent for this last three or four years touching the Woollen Manufactures as to the sorts of cloth for fineness or courseness, lengths and Breadths, difference of colours as to lighter or deeper and other matters relating thereto, and the endeavouring the larger consumption thereof hoping you will take sufficient notice of the whole & only hint it here for yo^{r}. remembrance, at the same time telling you, you have given us no answer to the 43^{d}. Paragraph of our Letter by y^{e}. Dartmouth touching the Sea Green, Grass Green, Mazarines, Skys, Black cloth, Medley fine cloths and Embost clothes thô wee mentioned them particularly and desired you would send an acco^{t}. how they were each liked, and which most or least in demand, what Quantitys would sell yearly and any other Remarks thereupon. Wee wish you had given us no occasion for this observation.

the bale of cloth by the St: George was in error in ye: Clerks.

48. On examining our cloth Drawers Book wee find the clerks in the accomptants Office miscopyd in the Invoyce, the Bale by the S^{t}. George mentiond in your 30th. Paragraph, and that it should contain part scarlets and part Medleys as therein exprest but the prices of each are alike.

We observe ye. woollen goods are sold to ye. Ft. St. D. Merchts. Yors. & ye. Fort St. D. Merchts. would [..] it might increase the consumption. Reasons for selling all by lump approvd. of unless it be a ꝑticlr. sort.

49. Wee observe That you have sold all the Woollen Goods to the Fort S^{t}. Davids merchants, and yo^{r}. reasons for so doing the Generall Letter from thence by the Averilla tells us the Merchants are so encouraged thereby That on our perusing the Goods they have now provided wee shall have as much reason to commend them as the Investments at Madrass. The cause of our mentioning this is That it appears to us very plain they must get well by our cloth or they would never be so hungry for it, and if so there is no great reason to doubt but it will keep up its value by your good Mannagem^{t}. and if you could as you say you will endeavour to reconcile the merchants at Madrass and S^{t}. Davids that they might each take a part of our yearly cargos wee should think they might increase its Consumption. Wee note your reasons why it is better to sell all by the Lump to the merch^{ts}. then part with it in smaller parcells and acquiesce therein as to the usuall sorts, but when as is mentiond before, wee send some particular sorts as to colours and fineness wee suppose you may sell that apart or if with the rest at a particular advance on Invoyce and which may soever it is sold you may with good mannagem^{t}. come to know what value is really put upon it.

50. Your care to prevent any of the cloth sent to Fort S^{t}. George being carryed down to the Bay wee commend for as at present the Price in the Bay is better, wee can see no other fruit of sending it but lowering what wee have there near to what you sell it for with you. Besides wee annually take care to supply the Bay with what they desire, herewith wee send copy of their desires for Goods that you may see how much more particular & exact they are than you against every article they put the Patterns and Price, which makes [their] directions plain & full do you use the like method. The reasons in the consultations of the 26th. March for suffering Sixteen Bales of cloth to be sent thither are but very indifferent, and we hope will never pass for good ones again.

yor. care for prevents. any cloths being carryd to ye. Bay · we commend. ye. Bay method for their list of demands to be followd.

51. Wee further take notice of the fears you have That the Fort S^{t}. Davids merchants who are not rich will not be able to take off the quantity Contracted for & that those at Madrass have used their endeavours to discourage them from a second attempt of medling with it by letting them have it now and at the same time filling all the neighbouring Parts with their former remains, which is to us a further evidence they dont like any others should medle with that branch of their Trade because its profitable. You write you will endeavour to help off the merchants (if they find the whole parcell too heavy to be soon disposed of) that you may clear yo^{r}. Warehouses against the next Shipping, wherein wee entirely approve of your mannagement & if as it appears to us That it was singly on that acco^{t}. that you supplyd those of Madrass with Fourty Bales of Reds & Twenty Bales of Greens that they might be ready to bid for the next when it arrives by enabling them the better to sell off the One hundred & fifty Bales of the old Remains it was well done, how far that supply may affect the other Merchants wee cant at present judge off but in generall whatever contributes to the making room for the vend of fresh supplys is commendable as it keep[s] up the price & enlarges y^{e}. consumption w^{ch}. wee hope you will always have near at heart & use all methods best conducing thereunto.

We approve of yor. endeavr. to help ye. Ft. St. D. Merchts. off wth. ye. cloth if the whole ℔cell be two heavy for ym.

ye : increase of ye : consumptn : of ye : woollen manufacture recommended.

52. Wee were greatly concernd to read in yo^{r}. consultation of the 10th. Decem^{r}. so large a parcell of severall sorts of Broad cloth fine, and ordinary cloth Rashes worsted camblets silk Druggetts worsted Callimancoes Russell stuffs Perpetuano's and salloons were found in the Warehouse spotted Dammaged and Wormeaten which as that consultation says had been deliverd over from one Warehousekeeper to another for severall Years. Such unaccountable neglects deserve the utmost censure and reflect no small blame on the then Presid ^{ts}. and councills as it shows how little care was taken to examine the accounts of Remains nor can the accomptants escape some censure that they did not find those Remains in the Ballance of their Books or represent the case to the Councill. Wee are glad to find you have Resolved to sell them for what they will yield when our countrey Shipping are in Port, and That you have made it a standing order to sell all Remains & empty yo^{r}. Warehouses yearly rather than let them Perish, which wee recommend to you to put in execution for all time to come. Wee find in the Consultation of the 2^{d}. Feb^{ry}. some Velvetts China silks and Druggetts were orderd to be sold because beginning to decay, why should not the Warehousekeeper have as well represented the account of the rest. Wee might add more on this Subject here, but shall reserve it till wee come to y^{e}. Head of Accounts where it will fall in more naturally when wee take notice of that mismannaged custom of charging the Warehousekeeper as D^{r}. for all Goods deliverd out of the Warehouse.

we are greatly concernd to read in yo^{r}: Consultatns of a great quantity of broad cloth &c^{a}: in ye. Godowns damagd. w^{ch} : reflects upon y^{r} : Presid^{t} : & Councll : managemt :

approve of their being sold & of ye : order to clear y^{r} : Whses : annually.

53. The Iron as you write was not reckond into the amount of the Bouveries Invoyce, but our Accomptants soon after sending it away found out the mistake, and accordingly rectify'd it in the acco^{t}: currant of your Presidency. Wee now send you a Quantity as ℔ Invoyces & hope it will turn to good account.

an error in ye : Bouveries invo : rectified.

iron sent out as ℔ Invo :

54. Since Lead continues still at so low a price wee have Resolved to send you none this year, and approve of yo^{r}. Resolution not to part with what you have, under Six Pagodo's & a half ℔ Candy.

no Lead sen out.

Corall tho' not not yet may be [a] commodity wn : it is so advise us.

55. Wee observe what you write touching the low Price of Corall & Corall Beads and what occasiond it which seems to be further confirmd because as yet none of the Jew's have applyd to us for leave to Send any. But as it has been & may again be a Commodity It would be pleasing to us if you advised us when it is so & what Sorts & quantitys would sell & at what Prices that it might as well get the advantage [of it,] at least come in for a share with others.

Beer & wine sent out wch : we hope will lessen yor : Exps :

56. The Invoyces will show you that wee have sent you Ten Tons of good Strong Beer, Seaven Pipes of severall sorts of Wine and other Factors Provissions mentiond in your List by which means wee hope you will as you write lessen the charge of Stewards Expences & be good Husbands of them.

Stores sent out this year & [which will] pretty near answr : yer : demands.

57. The Stores sent by our ships last year & what now on these pretty near answer your Demands in the Lists lately receivd excepting some of the heavy Goods which the ships could not take in, for which reason wee have not sent you all the culverines wrote for, the three sakers are as long as any are made and among the Hundred Small Guns sent. Wee are informed Some may serve for field Pieces, but the field Pieces of two Pound shot you write for, wee apprehend must be a mistake because of the Smallness of the Diameter of such Guns.

some feild peices of 2 lb. shott.

Stationary ware for sale & use sent out.

58. The Stationary ware wrote for is sent as well that for sale as use in our affairs. Let us know what it sells for. Wee have orderd the Captains to put it into the Powderroom, to preserve it from Damp.

in yor : list of stores wanting always seperate what you want for sale & wt : for use.

59. It would be best If whenever you wrote for navall or Garrison Stores you Separated what you wanted for Sale from the rest, and at the Same time advised what was the currant price of every particular at the time of sending the List, and whether the markett was rising or falling. Let great care be taken rather to sell such Stores than let them ly by & spoil.

none but pistoll powder sent no Pitch & but little match.

60. Wee send no Powder except Pistoll Powder being told good Gunpowder is made with you, and if it be wee are sure it is much cheaper, & for the Same reason send no Pitch being assured Dammer answers the same Purpose, and for a like reason but little Europe match.

screws for yor : bales are makg : & shall be shipd aboard as soon as done.

61. The Iron Screws for Bales are making according to your Modell & Directions and will be speedily shipt aboard, our Workmen here think they may be contrived better, but our Comittee were willing to follow your Directions as believing you had well considerd the whole.

Mr : Gumley ℔ mitted to send about £ 200 value in Looks : Glasses [wth] directs : conserng : them.

62. Wee have at Mr. Gumleys request permitted him to send this season to the Fort Two Hundred Pounds value in Looking Glasses consigned to the President and Councill, do you dispose of them for mony, deduct Five ℔ Cent thereof and pay it into our cash for our acco^{t}. as our Duty by act of Parliament (besides the Sea Customes) the remainder lay out in Diamonds & Consign to him and at his Risco on any of our Ships bound for England. If Diamond should not be procurable pay that Remainder into our cash and draw Bills on us for it at Nine Shillings and Six Pence a Pagodo payable to him or his order here at Thirty Days sight.

Thirdly Touching Investments in India of Goods proper for Europe.

Our o ders for Investmt : to be complyd with.

63. Herewith you will receive our orders for Investments or Lists of Goods to be Provided within yor. Presidency whereto refer you & expect you have the Same regard thereto, as if every Line of it was mentiond therein, this being the article on which the well being of the Company do's in great measure depend. You must all in Generall and every one of you in particular take care that our goods be cheap bought good of their kinds well sorted and early brought in and embailed, and not ly at the Subordinate Factorys as has been lately the case of St. Davids but that they may be got up to Madrass ready to give our Ships which from time to time ly on your hands-quick Dispatches, that an end may be put to Demorage the Ships may arrive here Seasonably, and wee may have time before

We expect that our goods are cheap bot : good of their kind, well sorted and not

us to prepare our Goods for the Sales in September, and inspect such of y^e^. Goods that are not put up to Sale, to see whether they are not good in kind well bought & proper for our marketts, which wee have not as yet been able to do with the Averillas. sufferd to lie at the Subordinate Factys:

64. Wee observe in the Letters from Vizagapatam of the 22^d^. June & 9^th^. November they advise if they begin Investments in February when the labours of the Ground are over and new Cotten is gatherd the Weavers have no other Employ till May or June and that in all that dry Season they can be providing Goods & have time to inspect them and turn back on the Merchants what dont come up to muster without lessening the number of Bales contracted for. Wee suppose y^e^. Seasons at and about Madrass & St. Davids are much the same and wee observe they add the Dutch take that method of procuring Goods which is confirmed by yo^r^. advices that they were upon the coast and called in at their Severall Factorys to take in the Investments then Provided & left the coast the 20^th^. Septem^r^. Wee find also our people in the Bay begin to contract for Goods in February or March from all which wee apprehend the best way would be to make the contracts early especially for the Staple commoditys of Long cloth & Sallampores which wee always write for, by this means yo^r^. merch^ts^. would have time before them to make them good in their kind & to bring them in early to be wash'd, examind, sorted and embailed & you need not be in a hurry when our Ships ly on yo^r^. hands ready to be dispatcht. Contracts to be made early y^t^: you may have time before you to inspect y^e^: goods.

65. The Sortments of Goods by the Bouverie & Hallifax have upon examination been found tollerably well as to their Severall numbers. [Assortm^ts^] of y^e^: Bouveries & Hallifax cargo found pretty well.

66. On perusing the Goods by these two ships wee find the same reason for complaint as formerly of the Damage in the Bales [from] Fort S^t^. Davids receivd in the Bouveries cargo, which wee have good reason to believe came so hither by the carelessness of your Warehousekeeper for they were opend again at Madrass to take out the Gentue Ticketts and to be new Pack'd & markd with a Mark by which means they might have seen the Damage and ought to have had them cured (for the first loss is the least) before they were Shipt aboard, the Gunneys & Wrappers of many of the Bales were good & no appearance of Damage on them but the Goods within were so bad That wee were forced to sell off the S^t^. Davids Long cloth No. 2 and 3. one hundred & Eleaven Bales as Damaged. Some of those Bales were in a manner quite rotten & Scarce a good piece found in Severall of them. Claims of damage in the Fort St. David bales. 111 bales of their Long cloth forcd to be sold as damagd.

67. On opening the Fine Oringall Bettellees of both places It was found That the Gunny Wax cloth & Wrappers were clean & not the least appearance of Damage but when the Goods were inspected many of them were Damaged, So that they Sold at Eight to Ten Shillings a Piece less than the Sound and other Bales had put in them which were spotted & Damaged but new folded and turnd to hide the Dammage, which the Buyers have since complaind of when they came to open the Pieces in their shops and thereby will be for the future Suspicious of every Bale they buy. This at present raises a great clamour & besides the dissatisfaction it gives them turns in the Event yet more to our disadvantage. Originall Beteelas of both places tho' y^e^: Wrapps: were whole yet found to be damagd within.

68. Wee further observe that Captain Hurst brought home a Bale of Originall Bettelles in Private Trade which sold at our Candle (the best Judge of the worth of Goods) at Seaven Pounds nine Shillings a Piece & the best sort of ours did not yield above Eighty Eight Shillings, this you may be sure gives us cause of Suspicion that wee are not well dealt with somewhere for It cant enter into our thoughts that a particular Person who comes as it were by chance can indeed buy goods cheaper than our own Factors who are on the Place all the year & make Investments for large Sumes [this is so obvious] that wee need not expatiate thereon & mention it here That better care [may be taken] for us. Capt: Hurst brot: home a bale of Beteelas wch: sold for considerably more than ours. this makes us suspicious y^t^: we are not well dealt wth:

some small ℔ cels of Beteelas [. . .] & ¾ wide sell very well [. . .] us a few of ym:

69. Small Parcells of Bettellees of a Piece two or three in [a Lott, in] Private Trade for Presents have been sold as all must be at our candle which the Buyers tell us are worth Ten or Twelve Pounds or more a [. . .] they are of the usuall lengths but yard and half wide. Wee cant come [to] their Prime cost, But give you this notice that you may send us few, these are very good as to evenness smartness & fineness of Thread.

difference in goodness between ye: F. S. George & St. David Bales.

70. Wee are sorry wee must still complain of the difference in goodness between the Goods from Fort S^{t}. George and from Fort S^{t}: Davids as the same have yielded at our Candle, which you will be able to Judge of in the following acco^{t}. of their Sales here Viz^{t}:—

MADRASS GOODS

	No.		Pag^{s}. fan^{s}.		
Long cloth ordinary	1	cost ℔ corge	31 : 18	sold for £ 2·16 a p^{s}:	
	2		30 : 9	£ 2·15	
	3		29	£ 2·13	
Ditto midling	1		38	£ 3·1·6	
	2		36	£ 3·1	
	3		34	£ 2·19·6	
Bettellees of 40 covids	25		31·9	£ 2·2 to	£ 2·2·6
	26		32·18	£ 2·4 to	£ 2·4·6
Ditto of 50 covids	28		39·9	£ 2·10·6 to	£ 2·11
	29		41·9	£ 2·11 to	£ 2·12
Ditto Oringall	1		60	£ 4·8	
	2		55	£ 3·15	
	3		50	£ 3·14	

FORT S^{T}. DAVIDS.

	No.		Pag^{s}. fan^{s}.		
Long cloth ordinary	1	cost ℔ corge	31 : 18	sold for £ 2·13 6 a p^{s}:	
	2		30 : 9	£ 2·12·6	
	3		29	£ 2·9	
Ditto midling	1		38	£ 2·18·6	
	2		36	£ 2·16·6	
Bettellees of 40 covids	25		31·9	will not sell.	
	26		32·18	£ 2·1·6	
Ditto of 50 covids	28		39·9	will not sell.	
	29		41·9	£ 2·10·6	
Ditto Oringall	1		65·28·50	will not sell.	

All these Goods were put up at the same prices whether Madrass or Fort S^{t}. Davids according to their numbers & yet you see thereby those Provided at Fort S^{t}. Davids fall short of the same numbers Provided at Madrass & some would not go off. Wee told you before that wee have not put up any of the Averilla's cargo to sale, so cant tell how it will produce but hope it will be better from the Assurances in the Fort S^{t}. Davids Letter beforementiond.

complaint of ye: Ft: St: David merch^{ts}: y^{t}: y^{e}: Madrass merch^{ts}: are more indulgd: in fine goods than they.

71. Wee have told you formerly some complaints made by the Fort S^{t}. Davids merchants why they could not so well serve the Company as those at Madrass, one great one is, That they are obliged to furnish most of their contracts in Course Goods on which is the least proffitt, while the others are more Indulged in Fine Goods whereby they gett most and wee are sorry to find now That due care has not been taken by our then Presid^{t}. and Councills to get the Contracts made at Madrass fully complyd with & what is of a Piece with the rest, have nothing under their hands to show how far they are obliged to provide. Wee cant suppose any of you are so ignorant as not to know which sorts of Goods the merchants choose to provide and if so It looks not at all well, That you should suffer the Merchants to be behind hand therein, if they had given you only a Verball promise of what they would do, whether it arose from a careless

indifferency how things went or from a Supine temper that would not take the Pains to be informed or that care should be taken you could not see wherein they failed, Wee cant be sure but it looks to us to have a mixture of all. We mention these things here to be a caveat to each of you hereafter, for when wee find mismannagem^{ts}. from what cause soever they arise wee have reason to look out and take particular notice whether they be amended, and how far or whether the Shifting of hands has not the expected benefit consequent upon it, that wee may consider accordingly. Wee find in the Consultation of the 6th. Aprill an assertion that since the merchants had no mony advanced them they never Signed a written Contract, but if the fact had been so woe wonder yo^{r}. Letters should mention it. Wee further take notice That the consultation of the 19th. June is a Contradiction to the other.

take care yor: Contracts wth yor: merchts: are fully comply'd with.

72. Wee observe you write That M^{r}. Frazers partiality to the Right hand cast occasiond the backwardness of the Investment & yet it could not be carryed on without the other cast he was so [much] against, which if wee rightly understand your 65th. Paragraph by the Bouverie was then the case, and that those of our now Councill which were then of Council were of that opinion. If this be so as is most likely Wee shall be glad to hear what those Gent^{n}. can say for themselves why they gave into such measures or if they had been overruled by a majority why they had not enterd their dissent in the consultations with their reasons. Wee find in the consultation of the 13th. August they own M^{r}. Warre would not sign a consultation in the case of the Elephants which they had consented should be landed at Trivlecane paying only the S^{t}. Thoma duty, and thereupon on hearing his reasons they were convinced & concurred with his opinion. By this method it is likely in other cases the councill may be convinced or if not by such dissent there had been a modest appeal to us to judge who were in the right and a plain Testimony that such of our councill had some consideration with them that we intrusted them in their stations to do us the best service they could & therefore whatever they apprehended was not right they would not be altogether passive in but show the reasons why they did not think it best for us.

Mr: Frasers, partiality to the Right hand cast ye: occasion [a] ye: backwardness of ye: Investmt:

the Council blamd: for coming into his measures.

the case of Mr: Warre's dissenting from landing the Elephts: at Trivlicane instanced: to show yt: ye: Council ought to entr: their excepts: when they think it for our service.

73. The complaint made by the merchants in the next Paragraph that their accounts had not been adjusted with the Warehousekeeper since August 1706 and therefore they were unwilling to proceed further in providing Goods reflects a very just disreputation on the then whole Councill, and what wee possitively order be never again sufferd, Wee think Wee need not tell you. It is so very obvious That wee entrust all our affairs under the Presidency of Fort S^{t}. George to the whole Councill and that they should take care to see every branch of them duly and rightly mannaged, to whose hands soever they are committed and wee cant imagine how they could answer it to their consciences to suffer that confusion which the same Paragraph mentions to run so far as not to be able to find out That Six chests of Treasure deliverd in August 1706 to Colloway Chittee has been accounted for. Such mannagemen^{t}. or rather want of mannagement, as this deserves no little censure. It looks as if they had no regard to the Trust reposed in them but took care who should do least, and that they did not consider That whoever dos not prevent the mischief when it is in his power, and which he is in generall at least comissiond to prevent is chargeable with the ill consequences of such mischief. Wee are glad to find That you have now Resolved that the merchants accounts shall be yearly Ballanced and would have that good Rule constantly kept up. By this meanes wee may hope to prevent the confusion complaind of, and save a great deal of Interest which wee find in the Consultation of the 28th. June 1711 amounted to Pagodos Five thousand nine hundred ninety two in one acco^{t}. and as appears to us was very ill Husbandry, for sure wee had cash Bullion or Goods enough lying Dead at that time. This consultation also gives us a Specimen of the Quick Dispatch of business which our Councill should when the reference to them to state that account was in December, and they did not bring in their

the complaint made by yor: merchants: that their accts: had not been adjusted is very [un]just

all our affrs: in yor: Presidcy: are comitted to ye: whole Councill upon whom in genll: the confusn: mentd: in yor: lette: very much reflects.

ye: Merchts: accots: to be yearly ballanced.

Wee observe some repos referrd to Committee of Council are not brt in till 6 months aftrs:

if any over dilatory suspd : ym.

Report till full Six months after. Wee hope this will be the last time wee shall have reason to complain on this acco^{t}., for the future if any are over dilatory Suspend them.

the confusn: of ye : whse accts. and their being sufferd to run on so long complaind of.

74. Wee observe great Stress is laid on the confusion of the Warehousekeepers accounts as the great occasion of all this and it looks very probable but the naturall Question is why were they so suffered : surely no partiallity, favour or affection towards a Brother Councellour should have sufferd the mischief to grow so great as now appears. It would have been a much greater kindness to him and his Family to have obliged him to have Ballanced them for short errors are best and no mistake ever mends by being sufferd to run on & involve the Succeeding accounts in the mischief of it besides it gives a Jealousy that one mans ill Practices are connivd at that he may take no notice of anothers. One great cause of this evill is as wee are informed That our own Servants think it too much for themselves to mind the affairs committed to their charge & trust all to their Conicoplys & Black Servants, so that when the Presid^{t}. has called upon them to know how their accounts stand, they can give no answer till they have consulted their Conicoplys, and wee are further credibly informed That when the Accomptant came to Ballance the Books ending April 1709, and finding the Warehousekeepers acco^{t}. Debitor for a large Sume the Conicoply answers Calloway & Vincattee chitty owed above Sixteen Thousand Pagodos which is enterd on that Single assertion, but no reason given how the Debt arose & looking over the Books wee find they are Debited for Pagodos Sixteen thousand four hundred twenty three 32 : 4 for Goods sold them out of the Warehouse which M^{r}. Empsons account stands chargd with therefore he is creditted for the same ; this is not plain and explicite as it ought to be, for it mentions no sorts or quantity[s] and the Information proves true for when you late came to Ballance with them this article appears fictitious there is no proof to be made of the Particulars which compose that Totall and even very lately Conicoply named Tonnapa is indebted to the Warehouse between Three and Four Thousand Pagodos and not a Pagodo ashore to make it good. Wee might further mention the unwarrantable Suffering our Writers to run greatly in our Debt but shall defer more under this Head till wee come to the Head of accounts, where shall also lay down a Rule for its cure.

the [act of indebting] Colloway and Vincattee Chittys upon the single word of a Conicoply above 16000 Pags : found fault wth.

so beat down ye : prizes of ye : goods of our Investmts : in India strenuously recomendd.

75. Wee observe you have a prospect of making large Investm^{ts}. at Vizagapatam and that M^{r}. Raworth had contracted at Fort S^{t}. Davids for Eighty Thousand Pagodos by which you hope to keep down the prices demanded by the Merchants at Madrass for their Goods. Whatsoever you shall do that will in the consequence procure goods cheap, well made, and brought in in time, you may be assured will be readily approved by us. The dearness of cotton and Grain is but a Temporary cause of the rise of Goods the next fruitfull season removes both objections. The Dearth of y^{e}. manufacture wee suppose is enlarged by the merchants, but if it were true another year they might be supplyed out of the Inland Countreys. Wee have often complaind of the dearness of Goods as charged in the Invoyces of late years when compared with those sent home before the new Company was erected, The competition then was given as a reason for the rise of them, That is over and yet they are not reduced. Wee hope as you give us some expectation in the 33th. Paragraph by the Hallifax and 19th. by the Averilla you will show us by your future cargos the success of yo^{r}. genius application and will to reduce them if not all at once at least gradually till you bring them to their ancient prices which will be very welcom news.

take care our goods are sorted and packd well.

76. The care you promise to take to sort and Pack Go[ods . . .]for the future, wee hope will answer yo^{r}. and our expectation the method you have settled for the Sorters, two first Letters of their name to be put on the Corners of the Severall Bales wee approve but that we may not continue in a mistake, wee must tell you wee never make allowances to any Buyers because of their clamour for all such goods are first viewed by our Committee of Warehouses while in the Warehouse, thô never grant any without evident reason.

77. Our complaint when wee have done so of the ill Package has never been without just cause, and that it may not be so again always remember yo^{r}. promise to be early and fully supplyd from the Bay with Packing stuff which they have our standing order to furnish you with as you give them notice and assure us they will.

be always early & fully supplyd from ye : Bay with packing stuff.

78. Wee take notice of yo^{r}. reasons why it is best to purchase the Goods of the Metchlepatam manufacture there and of your endeavours to bring those manufacturers to Vizagapatam and to attempt the like fabricks at Madrass, which at present will cost very dear, and therefore you have not got any, and till y^{e}. Metchlepatam Merchants demands are accommodated you dare not send down mony to begin an Investment there. As to their demands you may expect an answer before the close of this Letter.

concerns : Metchlepm : goods.

79. When wee see the Sallampores you are trying to get Painted we shall advise you to what acco^{t}. they turn & whether it will be worth while to write for more, which will pretty much depend on the goodness and cheapness of the work, for to give three Pagodos a Piece for Sallampores white is a very great price, unless they be extraordinary good, and the colours prove as bright and neat on them as on a Moree.

when wee see the Sallamps : yo : have painted we will advise to wt : accot : they turn.

80. Your diligent endeavours to hasten away the Hallifax, the taking in goods lower than N°. 2 on abatement which wee suppose by yo^{r}. consultation of the 28th. Septem^{r}. are Bettellees, thô yo^{r}. Letters dos not mention it, and the buying up Twenty Candy of Pepper towards filling her considering the case wee approve. Pepper as the Markett stands at present is a good comodity, and wee are by the act which lays the new Duty of Eighteen pence a Pound on the home consumption of it very much cased in your Importation of that Commodity, because almost all the Dutys chargeable thereon as well the former as this last are not paid by us, but the Buyer whether for exportation or not, so that wee should be glad to find our West Coast Peoples diligence by the speedy returns of the ships sent thither fully laden, & doubt not your care to bring those Settlements to such a Regulation as that at length wee may see they are worth keeping.

the hastening away y^{e} : Hallifax approvd of.

Pepper a very good comodity.

[. . .]

81. Wee hope you will always as you have opportunity inspect the Goods provided at Fort S^{t}. Davids as you mention in the 39th. Parag^{h}. by the Hallifax and 28th. Parag^{h}. by the Averilla you had done by those two Parcells and that you will exert your authority in reprimanding our Servants there when you find it necessary. You will see by the acco^{t}. of the Sale beforementiond That your cencure of the first parcell of the Goods was just, the Se[cond] are not sold. Wee shall be glad if M^{r}. Raworth to whom you particularly recommended the care of inspecting the sorters has fully rectifyed this notorious abuse and carelessness which prevailed in M^{r}. ffarmers time. But wee must stay till wee come to view what the Averilla brought from thence [and] when wee doe you will find wee shall not fail to distinguish[betwe]en those that sort well & such as dont that we may come-a [. . .]ation you wish for.

the Fort St : David goods to be always inspected.

82. Wee earnestly recommend to yo^{r}. constant endeavours to get the Weavers to make their goods better, the reason mentioned in yo^{r}. 41st. Parag^{h}. that it will be difficult because they have been so long accustomd to make them of a Raw spungy & uneven thread will wee hope be removed by your care & application.

we earnestly recommend to get ye : weavers to make their goods better.

83. In your next Paragraph you write That when Goods are found worse than No. 1. and better than No. 2. you generally put them to No. 2. which is rather an advantage to us than otherwise. To this wee say whenever this is the case hereafter, embale all such Goods by themselves and mark them N°. 1+ or N°. 2 +. or some other like mark of distinction, and advise us of it that wee may sell them by a particular sample, for otherwise if wee sell them by the common Sample of N°. 2. what advantage there is the Buyers have it and not wee.

when goods are worse then No : 1 & better than No . 2 distinguish them by +.

mistake in ye: Bouveries Invo: rectified.

84. Our Warehousekeeper here on opening the Bouveries Goods found out the mistake mentiond in yo^{r}. 68th. Parag^{h}. touching the S^{t}. Davids Betteelees which is as therein described and an acco^{t}. thereof has been transmitted into our accomptants office.

we take notice of yor. assurances of dispatchg. a ship in Octor. & another in Janry. time enuff to come with the Dutch.

85. Wee take notice of the assurances you give us in the 20th. Parag^{h}. of your Letter by the Averilla That you will have a compleat cargo ready in Septem^{r}. next for a ship of 400 Tons and another to follow by Decem^{r}. .and that both of them may come with the Dutch for their greater security.

yor. Caution to Vizagapm not to trust too much money to their merchts at a time was well done

86. Your caution to the Chief and Councill of Vizagapatam not to advance too much to the Merch^{ts}. there on trust was well done & what wee doubt not you will always have a due regard to. It were to be wishd that there were no necessity to trust there as is now the case of Fort S^{t}. George, but that was not so till wee were Resolved to make a tryall after the costly experience of the old Company by their former Joynt Stock merchants, & wee shall be very sorry to be taught wisdom a Second time in the like manner.

all abatements upon Goods to be made in full Co[uncil].

87. The method proposed in your 29th. Parag^{h}. of setling in full Council all abatements on Goods which shall prove worse than musters when it shall be necessary to take them in wee approve, by this means the generall suspicions which have often spread are most likely to be removed.

goods found damaged in ye. Warehouse by Mr. Davenport.

88. Wee find by the 92^{d}; Paragh^{h}. of your Letter by the Averilla and the Consultation there [refe]rred to, That Two hundred twenty seven Pieces of Long cloth & [. . .] eight Sallampores were found by M^{r}. Davenport when he took the charge of the Warehouse to be so Dammaged and eaten by the White ants as not worth sending for England & part of them fitt only for Souldiers shirts. You say you know not whom to fix the blame on, because of the many changes that have been in that employ for the last two Years. But wee say wee think none of the councill can fully acquit themselves and the last Warehousekeeper is particularly to be charged with it because if he will take things by content without examining he ought to be answerable and wee hereby require you to take care he do make us good the Damage and let us know what that is, for if he had examined and found them Damaged when he undertook the employ he ought to have complained as M^{r}. Davenport did, add to this these Goods were once proper to be sent us, and why they were not was a proper enquiry for the Presid^{t}. and Councill. If it be said there was eno^{h} without them why were they not sent down to the Bay to be laden on our ships from thence according to our former orders for reparting our Goods. This method wee are necessitated to take to prevent the growing of such a mischief and that it may not happen again wee order That for the future you always take care every succeeding Warehousekeeper do charge himself with all Remains which the accounts prove do or should be in the formers charge and this be agreed on between both Partys, or if there be any want that the preceding Warehousekeeper make it good, if he be Dead that his Executors or Trustees settle the account of Remains with y^{e}. Successor if he Dy intestate That some of the Councill appointed for that purpose do agree thereto on the Deceaseds part. But in case anything be wanting that proper attestations and affidavits be taken of what is so and due care be used That the Deceaseds Estate make speedy satisfaction, for if this be not done Wee shall have the West Coast mannagement in time introduced at Madrass.

none of y^{e}. Council can acquit themselves of the fault, but ✠ ticly. the last Whekr. who we order to make good y^{e}. loss.

[to take care] every succeeding Warehkr. [do charge] himself with all remas. [and] to be adjusted between [him &] his predecessor, y^{e}. [latter,] to make good all wants [. . . .] othr. ordrs. relatg. to y^{e}: [Estate] of a Whekr.

89. Salt Petre of late has fallen in price and would more if wee did not Resolve to put it up at a good Rate, as knowing the Buyers will take only what they want for the present spending for what they buy is but at the bare advance. If the War should speedily end wee are in doubt whether the Governm^{t}. will demand the Five Hundred Tons annually. Wee have now in Warehouse Twenty one thousand six hundred eighty six Bags, and the yearly home consumption

[No] Salt petre but wt. absolutely necessary to make y^{e}. ships sail worthy to be sent home.

besides is little above Two hundred Tons, For all which reasons wee possitively order you to send no more than what is absolutely necessary to make our ships sail worthy, for as on the one hand wee must not run the danger of loosing a ship for want of sufficient heavy Tonnage so on the other that being taken care of, the less Petre wee have the better, and if they are dispatcht in the fair weather season they will stand in need of a great quantity. Your order in Consultation of the 21st. July to ship off that Petre first which had been longest in Warehouse was prudent and wee hope will be always observed to prevent its wasting. Notwithstanding what wee have wrote to the Bay that all our Petre be fine they do not send it so good as they ought, wherefore do you examine here and there a Bag of what you receive from thence, and if you find it is not as wee desire, send them word of it as by our order.

yor. ordr. for shipg. off tess Petre 1st wh. has lain longest was prudent.

ye. petre from ye. not fine; examine Bay into wt. yo. receive from thence.

90. Wee would not have the Petre sent to Bencoolen lye there & wast[e] (thô wee will have no more sent thither till further order) better to send it home but direct them to send no more on a Ship than is absolutely necessary to make her sail worthy, and as wee have before intimated that the Susannah carrys out whole Kintlage in Iron wee intend the next shall do the same and so on till wee have a prospect that this great Quantity on our hands is in [a] fair way to be sold off.

no Petre to be sent to Bencoolen & wt. there already to be sent home but no more on a ship than absolutely necessary.

91. Red wood is another heavy Article upon us it will just sell at Twenty five Pounds a Ton and of that no more than the salters have a mind to. Wee have about Five hundred [and] Twenty Tons on our hands and what wee may expect by our Coast and Bay ships abroad will make such an addition thereto That the very Warehouseroom will eat deep into the Principall, Wherefore send us no more nor any to the West Coast till further order, for thô wee may load Six ℔ cent on each ship according to her Tonnage at half ffreight, yet wee are not oblig'd. Wee have made an order That if the Captains will Dunnidge their Ships with Rattans or Canes instead of Red wood wee will remit the Five ℔ cent thereon for their Encouragemt which do you advise any that have not heard of it and tell them wee shall continue till further notice to you & them.

no redwood to be sent eithr. home or to the West Coast.

5 ℔ Cent remitted ye. Capts. if they will dunage with canes or rattans.

92. Wee have considerd what you write about your Madrass Rupees & as you will find by all our Letters to you wee were so wee still are for encouraging our Mint to the utmost, the reasons you may perceive by our said Letters thô the thing speaks itself. Were the state of the fact as yor. Essay Masters report it That is to say, The Batta on Madrass Rupees in the Bay was nine ℔ cent, and on their Siccas Twelve ℔ cent, wee should readyly agree with you to continue sending down our Rupees. But our Letters recd. by the St. George and Aurengzebe give us a very different acct. for they send us a Paragraph of their Letter to you of the 24th. Novemr. 1711, which wee find in your Letter Book, and that you receivd it the 19th. Decemr. as you also did their Letter of the 31st. August on the 2d. October following to the same purpose, wherein they tell you Dollars sell there at Two hundred and eight Siccas for Two hundred and fourty Sicca weight which siccas are at Sixteen ℔ cent Batta, But the Madrass Rupees yield but Five ℔ cent Batta at Hughley, thô at Fort William to the Companys merchants they put them off at Eight ℔ cent, so that they appeal to you to judge which [is] most our Interest, on which wee conclude that considering what wee wrote last year you have sent them since that time Dollars or other coyn or Bullion & not Rupees. They go on further and say the Bengall Sicca's coynd the last year are Four three quarters ℔ cent heavyer than formerly, and thereupon were raised from Twenty to Twenty nine ℔ cent, & then the Madrass Rupees went at no more than Eleaven to Twelve ℔ cent, but on complaining to Zoodee Caun he orderd the heavy siccaes to pass at Fifteen Rupees Ten Annas and the Madrass at Five ℔ cent Batta, That the Suratt Rupees go but at Ten ℔ cent, and the Rupees coynd in other Mints of Bengall at Dacca, Patna and Coetack thô of the same weight and fineness as the Muxadavad Rupees, yet go at two & three ℔ cent less at Hugley, and so they all do if paid away in other countreys than where coyned. This being so wee must say send down our Silver uncoynd

concerns: the difference of Madrass Rups: & Bengll: Siccas.

Silver to be sent to the Bay uncoind.

into the Bay, But whenever you shall be sure Madrass Rupees are very near a par to Siccas, send them down. Wee cant omit taking notice you dont in the Letter by the Averilla mention anything of the above Letter whether they advised you wrong or whether you were determined to send down no more Madrass Rupees till the Batta was more in our favour.

ships longest abroad to be dispatchd first.

93. Wee possitively order That if any of our Ships shall ly on yo^{r}. hands for want of Lading It be none of those now abroad whose Freight & Demorage are so great but rather some of these, because they are less & consequently our charge [easyer . . .].

FOURTHLY TOUCHING THE TRADE OF INDIA IN GENERALL AND THEREIN ANY TRANSACTION WITH THE COUNTREY GOVERNMENT.

the decay of ye. Country trade cheifly owing to ye: indolency of ye: late Presdt: & Councll.

94. Wee are sorry to find the Countrey Trade from Madrass has so miserably declined in these two last years as yo^{r}. Letters mention, which seems to us to be the effect of an unaccountable Supineness & Indolency in the then President and Councill. Wee heard little or nothing of this before except what fell out on acco^{t}. of the misfortunes occasioned by the Pyrates and Arabs and at Juddah or the ffrench, but now you seem to assign it principally to other causes, and that the Armenians and Moors run away with all the profitable branches of it which shows That they are more industrious & indefatigable than our own Countrey—men, if that is the Case wee will hope matters may now be mended, that a more active temper will be encouraged & diffused, and that Solomons Observation will be proved to be a lasting truth, That y^{e}. diligent hand makes rich, as to the unsettled affairs of the Government that is a calamity which time only can remedy & affects all alike.

no ship sent to Madrass by way of China.

95. Wee have this year complyd with your desires & sent no Ship to Madrass by way of China. Thô some of you know it will do much more than pay our Demorage, reckoning the Insurance of the mony into the account, and that produce laid out in Goods and the amount of their Sale receivd into cash generally before wee pay the same.

wee can't agree yt. ye. Armens. will be fond of rents: St. Thoma.

96. Wee cant agree with the Penman or Subscribers of the Letter of the 8th. February, That the Armenians will be forward to rent S^{t}. Thoma or that wee had better do it than they should. Wee think they are wiser than to rely on generous tempers or mild Government of the Moors or that the late oppressions of Meer Mahmud at that place on the Portugueez will ever make them fond to settle there. As to our Renting it the late troubles at Fort S^{t}. Davids & the loss of the five Villages to say no more are sufficient reasons against such a thought, & more especially if the mannagement were in the same hands as when this was proposed.

Wee are glad to find ye: troubles at Vizagapatm over.

97. Wee are glad at last to find the troubles at Vizagapatam ended by paying Rupees Twenty thousand Seven hundred thirty two, five ans. to Fuckerla Caun being the amount of the Bond given him by M^{r}. Holcombe together with a present of Five hundred Pagodas more as their Letter of the first of May says, thô yours make no mention of it which ought to have been done. Wee can't but observe that M^{r}. Holcombe perfidyously as wee may justly call it gave him a claim on us, by putting the then companys Seal to it, thô they were no ways concernd therein. Wee told you two Years ago That you must never suffer any of our Chiefs or others to have anything to do with the Moors or other Governours or great People in mony matters, this unhappy business ought to be & wee expect it will be an Example to prove the reasonableness and necessity of such an order, and that the dismall consequences of M^{r}. Roberts being security for the Renters of S^{t}. Davids as your Letters [e]ver will rivil[t ?] the same so deep in your minds as never to suffer the like again on any cause or pretence whatsoever.

none of our Cheifs to have anything to do wth Moors Govrs in mony mattrs.

Wee find now how it came abot: yt: Mr. Holcombe gave

98. Wee find now by the advices before us, how it came about that M^{r}. Holcombe gave Three thousand seven hundred & ninety Rupees at one time as a present to the new Govern^{r}. coming to Vizagapatam, which were then thought a

great sume, and could not like it as you will see in the 39th. Paragh. of our Letter of the 9th. January 1709 to which wee refer you and to give an answer to the later part of that Paragh. It seems his lavish way of living and fond affectation of appearing great in the Eyes of the Countrey Governmt. occasiond it but wee sufferd. Wee hint them that you may take care to prevent any other of our Chiefs doing the like for the future, and to that end to check the first appearances of it as soon as you discover them, and wee hope you will be very Vigilant for that purpose.

away so great a prest: as 3790 rups: at one time.

99. You will see our just fears of those approaching troubles in our last years Letter Paragh. 58 whereto refer you that wee may shorten this.

Wee foresaw those troubles, as yo: may see in our last lettrs.

100. In the Letter from Fort St. George dated the 22d. June 1710 there is mention of good Debts owing to Mr. Holcombe amounting to Rupees one hundred & four thousand nine hundred fifty one (the whole Debt being more) which were easily recoverable when ye. accot. with Fuckerla Caun was settled. In the 118th Paragraph of the Letter by the Bouverie you write you will recover all you can of Mr. Holcombes Debts, thô there is but little room for hopes by the last advices from Vizagapatam, how such of our now Councill who Signd both Letters can answer this to their discretions wee are to seek. But to this wee say wee expect you will give no rest to yor. endeavours till wee are reimbursed our whole mony paid on this occasion and the Interest & that you will advise us of it. Wee ought to have the charges of this War made us good out of Mr. Holcombes Estate for they were occasioned solely on his account, and hope this will be a caution to you all but especially to such of our present Council who sat at the Board when Fuckerlas first demand came to their knowledge that they may never again suffer things to run to extremity but consider no one can tell how great a Fire a little Spark may kindle.

In yor: lettr: datd: 22d: June 1710 ye. yn: Presidt. & Council: write there are good debts owing Mr: Holcombe to ye: amot. of 104951 Rups. in that by the Bouverie you say there is little hopes of recovering any thing, we wish those of our Councll. who signd both wou'd reconcile these contrarietys, let yor: utmost endeavs. be used to get us reimbursed.

101. Wee have wrote so much in former Letters how you should carry it towards the countrey Government that wee need only desire you to reperuse and observe them. Wee are sensible no one can lay down Directions for all cases that may happen because of the many unforeseen accidents that can never be provided against. But in the Generall as you are on the place and will be able to judge as things occur, use your constant endeavours to keep peace & a good correspondence with them never be the aggressors and as you must not tamely suffer their Insults or let them fright you into expensive presents. So neither must you give them a plausible handle for quarrelling lest thereby wee suffer as at St. Davids for if you do and there be a necessity to apply to Court It will be on costly Terms, which our Trade cant at any time but more especially at present bear, but if it could wee know no reason to be at any Expence which might be prevented by the prudent foresight & application of those with whom Wee entrust the management of our affairs.

directs: for yor: management wth. the Country Government.

102. Touching the present which wee find is at length sent down to the Bay from Vizagapatam, Wee know not well what to say as to the alteration our Presidt. and Councill at Fort William have made therein Since the things were provided according to Zoodee Cauns direction as your Letters intimate, and Mr. Pitt here assures us the same. Wee wish they had been so sent, but since it is otherwise Wee must acquiesce. Wee find in their Letter of the 24th. Novemr. to you, they give you their reason for acting as they did, and if our Broad cloth will be acceptable it is much more to our advantage because it is our own manufacture

Concerns: ye. present to ye. Mogull

and sells always at a good proffitt, and therefore to be valued accordingly because that Price is their Prime cost, whereas many of the other particulars very likely will be valued only at their first Cost or at least not at so great a proffitt. Wee wonder as you do why they should return severall of the particulars the List mentions considering they were paid for and especially the Gold Bowl Poiz One hundred and Six Ounces eighteen penny weight which by yo^{r}. description was very noble and to be filled with Ambergreece for wee find in the Acco^{t}. of the Present which they have gatherd together, there is an article of a Gold Bowl Poiz fourty three Ounces & another article of Ambergreece. Wee might make many other Remarks & send our orders but it is now too late they write us they are about Sending it up to Patna in their Letter of the 16th. February. But if it be true as wee have a Report here by way of Persia That the Mogull Dyd in March last It may be for the best that it has been so long delayd, especially if it is not yet out of our Peoples possession. They say they intend to apply by the mediation of the Mogulls Second Sonne who was their Friend, and Generall Report says he is the Richest, most active and Politick of all the Princes Royall & bids the fairest for the Succession. If it should prove so, wee may have the better prospect which wee should be glad to hear and heartily wish it may have the desired Successe. we find you have sent down an account of the Priviledges you would have granted or confirmed. Thô by this means the mannagem^{t} seems to fall into the hands of our People in the Bay wee promise ourselves you will not be wanting in your best advice to them on all occasions as remembring it is our affair and as you have opportunity wee doubt not but you will send Instructions to M^{r}. Deane, M^{r}. Fowke &c^{a}. who the Bay Letter advise are to go to the Mogulls camp with that Present.

The Ft: St: David warr greatly concerns us.

103. That wild unwarrantable rupture at Fort S^{t}. Davids is what greatly concerns us, you will see by our last Years Letters wee apprehended mischief from thence. Wee wonder our then Presid^{t}. and Councill-woud let the author come off the Shore before the matter was accomodated. It looks as if there was some Secrett Bargain between some of the then Councill & him for wee dont find any direct ord^{r}. of Consultation for his going aboard, and wee hope you have not given him any discharge, however let us know what you can learn of the whole, he is in England and lives in the countrey so that wee have not seen him since the receipt and Perusall of yo^{r}. Letters. Wee are pleased to find, that you have attach'd the effects you mention, and that you are turning every stone to get an end of those troubles and heartily wish you Successee. Wee know not what advice to give you better than to pursue the methods you have taken as well to prevent misrepresentations at Court as to engage the Duan & Zoodee Caun on your side and show your civilitys when occasion offers as you did to the Duans Sonnes, Amin Cauns Officers &c^{a}. M^{r}. Farmers precipitate and indiscreet orders for ravaging the countrey killing the People and other acts of Hostility without the advice of his Councill cant be too Severely censured, because it has widen'd the breach and the cause of all the ensueing mischiefs. Your Instructions to M^{r}. Raworth for mannaging the Treaty wee approve as wee also do your hearty Zeal to Supply them with Men ammunition and Provisions while necessary and yet at the Same time endeavouring privately to quench the Flame which wee should rejoyce to hear was quite extinguisht and all at Peace.

we wond^{r}, our then Presid^{t}: & Council: would let y^{e}: Author come off y^{e}: shore.

y^{e}: attaching his effects approv^{d}: of

M^{r}: Farmers ord^{rs}: for ravaging y^{e}: Country severely censurd.

Yo^{r}. instruct^{s}. to M^{r}: Raworth for managing y^{e}: treaty we approve

104. Wee observe M^{r}. Farmers carriage while Deputy Govern^{r}. as you give us the account in your Letters & Consultations was altogether unworthy the Station he was in, and that he and the Councill are forced to make use of Inferences and Suppositions to support their unaccountable proceedings, what benefit could they propose to us by destroying, as yo^{r}. consultation of the 29th. October mentions their Letters own, Fifty two Towns and Villages, and Fifty or Sixty Thousand Pagodos worth of Grain and killing the Pandarum in cold blood which they confess made Sirrup Sings demands just, who shall make us Satisfaction for these outrages, will all their Estates be able to do it, especially if yo

M^{r}: Farmers carriage whilst Dep^{ty}: Gov^{r}: very scandalous & y^{e}: proceedings of him & Council as unaccountable.

add to this the necessary consequences that followd upon it by the charge of Ships, ammunition, Stores, Provissions besides the great Expence occasiond by so many souldiers and Peons, and the loss of so much blood, which by the account of charges sent from S^{t}. Davids by the Averilla signd by this M^{r}. Farmer, and issued out only by the Paymaster amounts to Pagodos Thirty eighty Thousand four hundred thirty one and the Generall Letter from thences makes to be Three thousand five hundred Pagodos a month in the whole of which Fifteen hundred extraordinary, all which as the List of the Packett tells us has been since the Irruption of the Warrs, these are the very words and besides the Interruption of our Trade, and who can see where it will end. On the whole remove him from Fort S^{t}. Davids & send for him up to Madrass.

Mr. ffarmer to be sent for [. . .]up to Madrass.

105. Wee have receivd from Fort S^{t}. Davids by the Averilla the Deputy Govern^{r}. and Councills Protest against M^{r}. Roberts which wee hope to make a good use of, and doubt not but you will take care due proof be made before a Publick Notary or upon affidavitts of the Persons and preserved of the Severall particulars therein charged upon him, and what is further containd in the Letter to you from thence Signed by M^{r}. Raworth and Councill & send it to us by the first opportunity with Duplicates by the next.

send home affidavits of w^{t}: charged agst: Mr: Roberts in y^{e}: protest.

106. Wee cant pass by our Remarks on the first occasion of all this trouble that is to say That Chevee Naigue Reddee &c^{a}. Renters of our Bounds were also Renters of Sirrup Sings Towns & their failure in Payment of his Rents was the cause. Wherefore wee hope you will take care that no Person be employd in any of our affairs under your inspection which relate to Mony matters who are concern'd with the Government least one time or other wee be embroild thereby.

no person to be employd in any of our aff^{rs}: who is concernd wth, y^{e}: Govt: in money matters.

107. Touching the Metchlepatam Debt wee wrote you fully last year to make the best end of it you could as you will see in the 82^{d}. Paragraph of our Letter by the Marlborough, and wee hope before this you have set about and ended it. If not let it be done as well & as soon as you can and advise the event.

[refers] to the Metchlepm: debt, make y^{e}: best end of it y^{o}: can.

108. Wee approve of the method you propose in the 24th. and 25th. Paragraphs of your Letter by the Hallifax to prevent y^{e}. Armenians Trade to Europe in India Goods and to India in our Woollen Manufacture and possitively order That none of our own people or other English be directly or indirectly concerned therein if you find any such turn them out of our Service & send them home.

yor: method to prevent y^{e}: Armen^{s}: from trading to Europe in India goods, & to India in Woollen manifact^{s}: we approve. if any English are concernd wth: them send 'em home.

Fifthly Touching our Fortifications, Buildings and Revenues.

109. You will find by our last years Letter wee approvd of the reasons given by the then President & Councill in the 46th. Paragraph of their Letter by the Frederick for building the Guard House at Egmore that it would preserve the Towns from being pillaged would be a great relief to the poor souldiers when sick and contribute to the saving their Lives & on that account, and that it cost but Pagodos nine hundred twenty five and by what therein appeard to us there wanted nothing more to be don except only a small convenient place to lodge the souldiers in. We were content Believing also at the same time that you thought it necessary, But wee are Surprized to find by the Bouveries Letter now before us Paragraph 93 and 94 That it has cost already Pagodos Five thousand and Sixty one and will cost at least Fifteen hundred Pagodos more to finish it and for common necessarys & then will be but a good mansion House. That the Council in their justification say they consented only to the building a Guard House, and the rest was orderd singly by M^{r}. Fraser, Wee must observe that Six of that Councill viz^{t}. Mess^{rs}. Frederick, Martin, Bulkley, Jennings, Warre & Hunt give this account now under their hands. Wee would

Egmore House.

be glad they would tell us whether they considerd and rememberd what they Signed when they sent us the above Letter, Whether any mony can be imprested the Pay Master without their consent, Whether the Paymasters accounts are not or ought not to be monthly past in Consultation, and whether they pass them without examining, Whether so much Mony could be laid out if only by the Presidents order and they know nothing of it, whether they think it enough to lay the blame on the then President and when wee have placed them in their stations wee did not entrust them to enquire how all our Mony is laid out, But if it could be supposed they believd it was none of their business and were Ignorant or asleep, can the Paymaster pretend Ignorance too, or can any one of them find any authority from us to lavish away so much mony out of our cash on pretence of a Guard house. On the whole matter, since it is so far proceeded on Wee leave to you to do therein as you shall Judge necessary either to finish or not and expect the late President and Six of Councill abovementiond do take care to pay us the Surplus charge beyond what wee approved of as above.

eithr. to finish or not as you think necessary & we expect ye. surplus charge to wt. formerly advisd be repaid us.

110. Wee are sorry to find so many of the buildings and Fortifications are out of repair, and must be rebuilt or repaird. Wee wish they had been taken care of in time, and hope they will for the future. But since it has not been so Wee recommend to your care that what is repaird or rebuilt be done substantially & frugally at Madrass & Fort S^{t}. Davids that all the accounts be strictly audited and no Wast Water sufferd to run by the Mill.

frugality in ye. new buildgs. recommended.

111. We hope you will Speedily set about the colledge because while our Young Servants are rambling about and have their Lodgings where they can get them, they are less likely to mind our affairs & more subject to Temptations, and for this further reason also because you say the accomptants office is in the utmost Confusion, has no fiitting Presses to keep Papers & Books in, and that matters of the greatest consequence are thrown together in heaps like Rubbish. Wee wonder if those of the Councill who are of longer standing than the rest could Sign this Letter without blushing to see this account of their incogitancy or Stupidity That the Accomptant whom it principally concernd did not represent the case to the Board and if then it had not been done he had acquitted himself. Wee observe that in M^{r}. Nodens Letter to you of the 17th July 1711 No. 95. he writes to you for Persia Red Earth to varnish the Plank he had occasion for repair of the Factory which as he says will preserve it a long time from the Rain and Weather and the White ants will have no power on it, how far this is fact and will answer at your Place for the buildings and for the Horses, for your Goods, or whatever else is in danger to be prejudiced by the White ants you will judge.

the Colledge to be forthwth. set about, & the yn. Counc^{ll}. & Accompt^{t}. in ℔ ticlr. blamd for suffering so much confusn. in that Office.

112. Wee observe your reasons in the Consultations of the 13th. Decem^{r}. for buying M^{r}. Martins House at Thirteen hundred Pagodos for a Mint House, the old one being ready to fall and That the Mint Braminys shall contribute thereto. Wee waite for your next Letters to know how far they have so done, since they get considerably by our Mint. But wee must at the same time observe your care to ease us by making others who are the better for such alterations bear part of the charge. Wee wonder wee should never before now hear anything of the inconvenient Situation of the old Mint House in relation to the Souldiers and otherwise. Wee hope you will also take care the Ground on which that old building stands and the Materialls be disposed of to our best advantage.

wee observe yor. reasons for buying Mr. Martins house to make a mint & hope ye. will make ye Braminys contribute to the charge.

113. You say you will let the intended House at the Mount alone for which some preparations have been made till the more necessary works are finisht. Wee were ready to think that had been near if not quite compleated, for wee find in the Consultation of the 19th. June at one time above Pagodos Six Hundred allowd as disbursd by the Pay Master on that account.

we thought ye. Mount house had been finishd because we find above 600 Pags. allow'd ye. Paymastr. on that accot

114. Wee also find in said Consultation a very odd Resolution for pulling down a chamber built over the Sorting Godown for the Warehousekeepers

we are surprisd at ye: weak

assistant Viz^{t}. That it had been the Rendezvous of Severall disorderly Young Men who have given disturbance to the neighbourhood, and to prevent the danger of its being fired by them, and because as wee understand it all the means used to put a stop to their extravagancies were ineffectuall. What construction ought wee to put on these reasons except this That our whole Councill had neither courage or wisdom sufficient to put another sort of stop to Juvenile disorders. Wee desire those of our now Councill who consented to that order to tell us whether wee should take this for a Specimen of their ability to mannage the affairs wee commit to their care, and what reason they can give us, why they ought not to build it up again at their own charge. It looks indeed something like the courage of our late Presid^{t}. but that none of our Councill should dissent therefrom is a kind of blind passive Obedience that wee hope never to be informed of again at least at our cost.

reasons giv'n for pulling down a chamber built ovr. ye. sorting Godown.

desire our yn. Councll. to tell us whethr. they ought not to build it up again at their own cost.

115. Wee receivd in the Averillas Packett the Draught of the Ground work of your intended Guard House and Hospitall for the Souldiers with the other Lodgings necessary to be annexd to them, and must recommend to you to do nothing but what is absolutely necessary, let the whole so done be made durable and commodious for the purposes designed but not costly, take care to save every penny therein you can by looking well after the cheap buying the materialls that the labourers and builders be kept tight to their work, and that you do by frequent inspection, let those who have the supervising the whole know That if they do not do their Duty you will discover & amend it. Let us also know what the amount of each and every mans contribution thereto is as well our President and Councill as your Inhabitants, Captains Supra Cargos & others which you mention in the 69th. Paragraph of your Letter by the Averilla, Wee desire it the rather because as this is a charitable work and the Towns People & others are concerned therein as well as wee, Wee would know how far their generous and Pious disposition enlarges itself, and that wee may set a good example Wee approve of yo^{r}. Proposall that all Fines & Forfeitures which lately have or shall happen while the building is in hand be applyed thereto, and that as you have had it in your thoughts you may as you see fit commute a Corporall for a pecuniary Punishment or sometimes when the crime deserves it inflict both.

the builds. of ye. free guard House & Hospitall to be durable but not costly.

let us know ye. amot. of every mans Subscriptn. to it.

all fines & forfeitures to be appropriated to it.

116. Wee have so often and with so much Earnestness recommended to you the Constant and vigilant care of cultivating our Revenues and our reasons for so doing, taking notice of them in every Letter that we have little more to do than to desire your perusall & attention to our former Letters on that Head, But as the Letters now before us give us occasion to take notice of some particulars Wee require you our thoughts thereupon as follows Viz^{t}.

a due care in cultivating & collects. ye. revens. recommendd.

117. Wee hope our President and Councill for the time being will never again betray their weakness and want of consideration so far as they did before our now President arrived in forgetting or neglecting to keep Madrass well stored with Grain laid up in the cheap Seasons notwithstanding our frequent possitive orders to take care therein. To say as the late President did that it was cheap and therefore needless argues his wonderfull foresight, dont your Letters almost every year and the last as well as the former give us an acco^{t}. of its being dear in some part or other of that year, it is true that account is generally introduc'd as a reason why the Merchants cant abate in their Succeeding Contracts, but be that as it will, you can by buying up large quantitys get it cheaper than others who have not stock enough. On reviewing the 19th. Parag^{h}. of the Letter of the 8th. February you will see a good reason why you should be so supplyd. It is there said That when the Northern Corn and Grain Boats dont resort to Madrass as they dont when it continues cheap then the Renters of the Countreys adjacent to Madrass contrive to raise the price upon you, consider will not yo^{r}. furnishing the People out of your Granarys prevent their leaving you as you have sometimes complaind they have, and shall not wee gain by such retailing and honest mannagement, much more than the Interest of our mony. Wee observe to what straits you were put to supply Fort S^{t}. Davids, and thereby keep the Inhabitants from deserting their bounds. Wee hope wee shall never again be put to y^{e}. pains of enlarging our

Madrass to be always kept stord wth. grain & the formr. neglect of it reprehended.

Letters, by giving you the reasons of our Orders, that wee do it now is for the sake of such of our councill as were in the late mannagem[t]. Wee are glad to find you are Resolvd to lay in convenient Stores to serve you on all occasions & hope you will take particular care that what Salt Provisions are laid up be well cured and not sufferd to spoil. Wee now write to the Bay to complain of the Parcell they sent you by the Hallifax, which were so much corrupted that you were obliged to bury them.

concerng. ye five new towns.

118. Wee observe the endeavours you have used for regaining the five Towns & the representation of that Case in the 32[d]. Paragraph by the Averilla & should be glad to know how long our Councill has known that Doud Caun allowd Zulphacar Caun in whose Jagger they are Two thousand three hundred Pagodos a year for them because wee find in the Generall Letter by the Kent they were lett to Calloway and Vincattee Chittee for Twelve hundred Pagodos a year. Wee might make other Remarks but shall suspend our thoughts till wee hear how far your attempts to get them restored have Succeeded. Wee dont think it for our Interest to have quarrells with the Government on account of these or any other new acquired Towns, thô wee would be glad to recover them by fair means. When wee are necessitated to make a present, If wee can get anything worth the while wee should be glad to accept it to make some amends for the charge but the case of our Three Towns wee think is different they are ours by Consent or at least without any objection of the Emperour Aurengzebe or his Ministers and wee may claim them by Sallabad[1] and Fort S[t]. Davids is ours by purchase from the then lawfull Possessor and has been allowd since the Mogulls Conquest of Rama Rajahs Countrey.

the Council: blamd for sett[g]: their hands to M[r]: Fraser's erroneous calculat[n]: of the Revenues.

119. Your 102[d]. Parag[h]. by the Bouverie says M[r]. Fraser could not satisfye his Councill That the Revenues amounted to One hundred and five thousand Pagodos which is but a very slight excuse to be made by those who now sign this Letter, for their warranting they were so as wee take it they did by setting their hands to the Letter that asserted it for wee dont find any of them refused to Sign it or enterd any objection thereto. Wee hope they will be at last convinc'd that they ought to search and see whether what they sign to be so or not. Wee must further observe that Paragraph makes the amount of the Revenues to be Pagodos Seaventy nine thousand three hundred eighty two, but this last year ending 30[th]. Aprill 1711 the Account sent in the Averillas Packett makes them but Pagodos Fifty nine thousand four hundred fifty two, a very sad fall, and shows the difference of the hands that mannaged. Wee expect better from the present Settlement.

M[r]: Fraser to pay y[e]: 286 Pag[s]: due for Custom on Delael Cawnes Elepht[s]:

120. We agree with you in opinion as to your next Parag[h]. and do expect M[r]. Fraser do reimburse us the Two hundred eighty six Pagodos due for Custom on the Elephants he orderd the Moor man to land at Trivlecane, since he did it against the Consent of Councill he might better have taken so much Mony out of our cash for that had been but a single loss. Whereas no body knows how far such an unwarrantable precedent may extend.

the letting ye: Mogulls Elepht[s]: pass custom free approvd of.

121. Your reason for letting the Mogulls own Elephants pass Custom free is right, and wee doubt not but you will take care, that none shall colour any others under the Mogulls name.

Measuring farm.

122. Wee observe in your Consultation of the 7[th]. March Kistnama pays Two hundred Pagodos for a Years Rent of the measuring Duty ending the 1[st]. January and desires a new Grant, and the 19[th]. Publick notice was given to let it to any would take it, whereupon on the 2[d]. Aprill it was let to Parianna at Eight hundred and twenty Pagodos a year for five years, the Rent to be payable every two months, from whence wee observe how remiss our then Councill was to let the former be above two months in arrear after the whole year was elapsed. Wee

[1] Applies to the customary or prescriptive exactions of the Native Governments and to native prescriptive claims in general. *Hobson-Jobson.*

dont find what become of the Duty between the first January and the 2d. Aprill when the others Cowl commences. Wee hope you will always some Small time before any Grant expires, give Public Notice that it is to be let, that so another or the same according as he bids may Commence their Rent anew from the expiration of the former. Wee must do our then Councill justice herein that they did well in advancing this Branch so considerably, which as you say is no ways grievous to the Inhabitants, and wee as much approve your care in punnishing the farmers when they opprest the Poor.

the then Council: did well to advance that branch of our revenue so considerably.

123. As to your 106th. Paragraph which desires our directions whether the old Tobacco and Beetle Farmers now in Prison shall be kept there for Life being utterly insolvent, or have their liberty, you will see our thoughts in the 60th. Paragraph of our Letter last year on this affair. So great a Debt as Pagodos Six thousand four hundred and thirty is too much to be lost especially when the Rent of Seaven thousand Pagoodos a Year was payable Monthly. Our then President and Councill were highly culpable to let them run so much in arrear, and wee see no reason to alter our sentiments from what that Paragraph expresses. Wee desire to know what you mean by the Paper in the Packetts by the Bouverie No. 31. and the same was sent by the Frederick which gives an account of Pagodos Three Thousand Six hundred sixty two, Eighteen fanams owing to the Old Tobacco Farmers, if it be as therein exprest why dont you recover it & therewith discharge so much of the Totall, and if it be not why it is sent us & how comes it there is no notice in the Generall Letter, pray enquire into this and recover what you can, advising us of it, as to the ffarmers wee cant possitively determine either way. If thay are really worth nothing it is a pitty to confine them for Life, but be sure that be true before you believe so, and on the other hand some must be made Examples to terrifye others, consider both and then do as you think fitt. If you should discharge them out of prison take a Bond to make them pay you as they are able.

Old Tobacco Farmers debt. The then Presidt: and Council highly culpable to let them run so much in arrear.

We desire an explanation of a paper sent home by ye: Frederick to Bouverie intitled an accot: of debts owing to sd: farms: considr: ye: case well & do as yo: think fit but if yo: discharge them take a bond to pay ym: as they are able.

124. Wee read with pleasure the promise in your next Paragraph that you will make a thorough reformation in the Severall Branches of our Revenue where abuses are crept in by negligence or otherwise and will fix all on a right bottom, and that you have found already the good effect of Seizing Goods that are run into the Town, and your further proceedings in the Consultation of the 19th. November about false Package of goods imported, and of the 18th. July that no Gentlemans Servants bring in Beetle or Tobacco, and shall be glad to hear the Result in other things also.

[Yor:] promise of a reformatn: [in] every branch of our revens: where abuses may be crept in read wth: pleasure.

125. Wee observe your reasons for restoring to Calloway and Vincattee Chittee the Cowl which Mr. Fraser took from them thô granted for Ten years of the three Towns and approve of them. Wee have perused Mr. Frasers Paper of the 21st. August why he took them away, and if it had been true there was some Ground for his examining into the Inhabitants complaints but to take away their Grant and give it to another without taking the Opinion of his Councill when it was granted by Councill is what wee can never allow in any body, It savours of his great prejudice to them and Partiallity for the right hand cast. Wee earnestly recommend to you to carry it uprightly towards both, and endeavour fairly and amicably to compose their differences, and letting them see you will oppress neither but that those who best perform their Contracts and do their Dutys will be sure to merit yor. favour, and to be sure take care That the Complaint wee have lately had that the Conicoplys and Dubashes have for the last two years ruled Madrass fining and punnishing People at pleasure be never again heard of. It show's a strange Stupidity in the Government to suffer it, whatever proofs you have well made out of this complaint make the Delinquents suffer in proportion to deter others.

the reasons for restoring ye: Cowle to Vincattee & Colloway Chittys wch: was taken from ym: by Mr: Fraser approvd. we earnestly recommend yt: yo: carry yor: selves fairly & amicably to both casts.

yor: enquirys into the wants of yr: Quitt rents we approve & desire more case may be taken for ye: future

126. Wee have perused your Consultations of the 24th. Septemr. and 23d. and 30th. Novemr. relating to the Quit Rents & Scavengers Duty and at the Same time, That wee have reason to complain of the great carelessness (to call it by no worse a name) of those then in power to let severall years Rentalls ly uncollected, wee must Commend your enquirys that discoverd these omissions & faults which you having done wee doubt not but the Same diligence will exite your utmost endeavours to gather in all the old remaines yet standing out or as much of them as possible, that you will as you promise in the 79th. Paragh. by the Averilla put this matter on a better foot for the future for the ease of future Collectors[. . .]off the burthen from the poor & lay it where it can be better bor[ne].

we want to know yor: resolutn: abot: farming of Toddy &ca.

127. Wee observe the Proposalls made you for the farming of Toddy & other things were under Consideration, that you were bid for the Toddy alone Five hundred Pagodos a year on the 10th September, and when you had fully examined the Severall benefits and difficultys that occurred, you would come to a Resolution thereupon wee wait to hear what that is.

we commend yor: case in furnishg: ye: soldrs: wth: good arrack.

128. The care you took in yor. Consultation of the 19th. Decemr. to prevent the Souldiers drinking Parriar Arrack so prejudiciall to their Healths & furnishing them with Goa and Batavia wee take notice of here for your commendation.

some entrys. in Consultans: to be reduced to a greater certainty.

129. Wee find in divers of your Consultations the Persons who receive our Revenues read their Accounts, sometimes they mention the Ballances & often not sometimes they pay in mony but far short of the Ballance, at other times when a considerable Ballance is in the Paymasters hands, yet more mony is advanced, That the Payments for Sea Customs & other Revenues are made Severall months after they were due and in small Sumes. Wee would be glad to find these things reduced to a greater certainty, for when Debts are not Speedily gathered in, they often decline from hopefull to doubtfull, and thence to desperate, but of this wee shall say more under the Head of Accounts.

we hear ye: Moors at Madrass are very insolent, be sure to keep ym: undr: & embrace any favourable occasn: to turn ym: out.

130. Wee understand Severall of the Moors are setled at Madrass and that they grow very insolent, are the spyes of the Government and so are the Persians and Pattans, and seem very ready to make applications to the Countrey Governours on all occasions. If this be soe use all prudent methods to prevent giving them a just handle, Let as few more as well you can settle with you and if any now there who continue of them temper Give you a very good reason to turn them out of the Place always embrace the opportunity if favourable.

Secrys: mistake in sendg: K. Jame's Chartr: to ye: Compa. instead of ye: Compas: to Madrass.

131. It was a strange mistake in yor. Secretary to send us copy of King James Charter to the company instead of copy of the Charter of Madraspatam granted by the old company wch. wee wrote for by ye. Dartmouth.

Sixthly Touching Factors and Writers, Officers and Souldiers and their Accounts.

[se]nding in the [...] to servts:

132. Wee begin this Head with telling you That wee are always glad to hear our Servants behave themselves well and therefore on your Recommendation of Josiah Cooke, John Mason, Alexander Bennett, Nathaniel Turner, Abell Langalier, John Emmerson and John Perry that they are like to prove usefull and proffitable servants, Wee have Resolved and do hereby direct That you give them one years advance in their standing in our Service That is to say, that such of them as are Writers Commence Factors at four Years end, and ye. Factors who have served five Years Writers be made Junr. Merchants, when they have been two Years Factors, & that all be according to their standings. This Encouragement wee hope will excite others to greater diligence & application.

[send] home all careless & unproffitable servts:

133. Wee have told you formerly our minds touching idle careless wicked & unproffitable Servants in all stations whereto refer you. If they will not amend

& prove usefull dont be cumberd with them but remove and send them home from continuing an ill example to others. If M^r. Woodward who has been a Supra Cargo in our service and M^r. Whitchcot whom we thought wee had been very kind to by admitting him into our Service from being a Free Merchant continue to deserve the character you give them, dismiss and send them home, neither regarding them or any others on account of Private recommendation or otherwise if they will not diligently apply themselves to business. Wee approve of the method you took the 2^d. August to oblige them to attend the Divine Service.

134. Wee send you out no ffactors or Writers this Year.

[No Factors] or Writers [sent] this year.

135. On your recommendation wee have agreed That Thomas Thomson, who went out a Souldier in the Dartmouth, and was taken into the Accomptants Office to assist therein & to instruct the Writers in Accompts be continued in his station if he obey Your Orders & answer your expectation, But in regard he came into our Mercantile Service the By way, wee would not have his being taken into that Office be construed to intitle him to be placed above any of our Covenant Servants and since wee were at the charge of sending him out a souldier wee expect he reimburse the same by paying Twenty Pounds into our Cash which in an average is far less than a Souldier arriving in India, considering Mortallity stands us in.

[Agree] y^t. Thom^s. Thomson continued in y^e. accomptts [. . .]

[. . .] not to be plac'd above any [of] our Covenant serv^ts. & reimburse us 20£ for the charge of sending him out.

136. Wee are sorry our People in Persia sent you no Wine, Fruits &c^a. refreshments, but if you had observed our Letter by the Bouverie Parg^h. 59. you will find an Intimation that [you] should let them know what you wanted or desired and by what Ships you would have it sent, and then they if they had not com[plyed] they had been inexcusable however wee shall reprimand them for this omission.

We shall reprimand our people in Persia for not sending you wine, &c^a.

137. Wee have considered your 73^d. Parg^h. by the Bouverie a [. . .] Factors paying in Mony into our Cash to remitt to England [. . .] how it differs from the Bay, To which wee say That the opportunity of sending Dyamonds to England which is not in the Bay ma[kes] us less solicitous as to Madrass, however since wee had given them the liberty we would let you know it and not deny you the like. Wee were the more inclined to come into that motion then because wee would prevent their helping the separate Stock Ships, but that reason is now near at an end, and as it rarely has or will happen That any will have occasion to send home Mony by Bills who shall be unwilling to remit the same in Dyamonds, Wee have not thought fitt at present to do anything therein.

We have considered yr. 73d. para by the Bouverie but dont think fit at present to do anything therein.

138. Wee are glad to find the honest zeal of our now President and Councill in enquiring so early into the Extravagancy of Stewards expences, That they have already so far regulated the same that one Third or more of the annuall charge [will] be retrenched, this is another good omen that wee may [expect] a future better mannagement^t: Wee hope our now President frequently inspect that acco^t: and when he finds any beginnings of extravagancy or carelessness put an imediate stop to them, what Liquors & Provisions wee send you will find in the Invoyces. Wee shall think of your Proposall for sending you Madera Wine at another opportunity, but it is not proper to order one of our ships to touch there this Year.

We approve of yo^r. enquiry into the Stewards Expences & recommend a frequent inspectn. into ym.

139. Wee perceive by the Letter by the Hallifax & y^e: consultation of the 17^th Septemb^r: you had entertained Madera Pillee to teach our Writers or ffactors Persians at Five Pagodas a Month, Wee approve thereof and should be glad to hear that a good number of them were well skilled in the speaking reading and writing that Language, as also Moors and Gentue, which wee hope you will prompt them to attempt. The old Company formerly gave Encouragement to

approve of yor. entertaine. [Madera] Pille to teach our [writers or ffac^rs:]

[. . .] know wt: yo. think will be [the] encouragemt: to such [yt. attain] yt: language or Moors [and] Gentue.

those endeavours, and wee also have signifyed our readyness to do the like, many benefits may arise to them and us thereby as well in transacting affairs by letters and discourse as Enquirys into frauds and abuses for want of which you are forced to make use of Braminys and Dubashes on whom yo^{r}: experience will show you cant always rely on account of fidelity and true representation. Let us know what you think a proper Encouragem^{t}. to awaken their Industry in this affair.

observe M^{r}: Connings by [stands] D^{r} to the Warehouse [Pag^{s}] 111: 11:

140. We note what you say of M^{r}: Conningsbys standing Debt^{r}. in the Books Pagodos One hundred and eleaven & Eleaven ffanams supplyd out of the Warehouse, and that thereupon you have made an order That no Factor or Writer shall be Creditted in the Warehouse above a Year's Sallary at a time, But if it be true as wee are told that severall of them have abused the favour they used to enjoy, and that a Writer of a year or two standing has owed Fifty to One hundred Pagodos at a time & not worth a groat, and some have taken up Goods on pretence for themselves, and have sold the same at Fifty ℔ Cent proffitt and kept the mony a long time in their hands, We are sure they have forfeited that favour and therefore wee order for the future That no Factor or Writer have Creditt in the Warehouse at all without leave of the Govern^{r}. & Councill and then only for himself, and not above a Years Sallary. If any abuse this liberty let them never have it again, Wee look upon it That if any Warehousekeeper or Storekeeper have or shall trust any Factor, Writer or other Person without order of Councill it is at his own Risco if it proves a bad Debt, but to prevent that wee direct That they trust out none of our Goods at all except as aforesaid.

[No] Factor or writer to have [creditt in] ye: Warehouse wth: out [leave of] the Govr: & Councll. [. . .] not above a years salary.

Samll: Ward recomended.

141. Last year M^{r}: Samuel Ward Sonne to my Lord Chief Baron went over a Writer, he has had a very good education and wee hope will every day show it by his diligence & application in which case do you prefer him as he shall be deserving.

We are sorry for Mr: Jones's death & wish Mr: Lewis would continue long wth: yo: Mr: Stevenson & Mr: Long entertaind Chaplains at the usuall salary.

142. Wee are sorry to read the account of M^{r}: Robert Jones Decease our late Chaplain: You did well to advise the Fifty pounds advanced him has been repaid. Wee should be glad if M^{r}: Lewis occasions will give him leave to continue yet longer at ffort S^{t}: George, Every body that has been at Madrass agree with you in his great Character, To supply one or both their places [we] have entertained M^{r}: William Steavenson and M^{r}: Charles Long of whom wee have a very good recommendation as to their learning Piety & quiet Tempers each at the Sallary of Fif[ty] Pounds a Year, and Fifty Pounds a year Gratuity if they are found to deserve it. Wee hope they will fully answer your expectations. If either of them should not but walk unwo[rthy] of their Vocation, You are always clothed with power to [. . .] the infection of their or any others evill example, For it is to be understood they are entertaind *Quamdiu se bene gisserint.*

If Mr: Lewis stays Mr: Long to be Chaplain at Ft St David, if not to resort thithr. frequently & let Mr Lewis come home upon our priviledge & without paying Pmissn: mony.

143. M^{r}: Steavenson brings with him his Family the other is [Single] wee have given M^{r}: Steavenson a Gratuity of Thirty Pounds towards Fresh Provissions in the Voyage, and to the other Twenty Pounds, If M^{r}· Lewes should stay then M^{r}· Long is to be Chaplain at Fort S^{t}· Davids, or if he do not, and you can be supplyd by one Let M^{r}. Long continue at Fort S^{t}. Davids, or at least often resort thither, and as to M^{r}· Lewes let him come home without paying Permission Mony & on our Priviledge.

The new Compas: ordrs: relate: to Ministers.

144. It is proper here to tell you That since the entire union of the Two Companys, Wee act on the foot of the New Comp^{as}· Charter which directs, That the Company shall constantly maintain in every of their Garrisons and Superiour ffactorys one Minister and that all such Ministers as shall be sent to reside in India Shall be obliged to learn within one year after their arrivall the Portugueez language, and shall apply themselves to learn the native Language of the Countrey, where they shall reside the better to enable them to instruct the Gentues that

shall be servants or Slaves of the Company or of their agents in the Protestant Religion, That in case of the Death of any the said Ministers residing in the East Indies his Place shall be supplyd by one of the Chaplains [. . .] of the next ships that shall arrive at or near the place where such Minister shall happen to Dy, and That the Company shall from time to time provide School Masters in all their Garrisons and Superiour Factors where they shall be found necessary.

Society for promoting Christian knowledge examind & 3 Danes sent by [this shipping] permitted to come out.

145. Wee are further to acquaint you That the Society for Promoting Christian knowledge which is composed of many of the Reverend Bishops & other clergy together with Divers well disposed Gent[n]. have addrest to us in behalf of the Protestant Missionarys to give them our Protection & encouragement and to permit them to erect a charity School or Schools at Madrass, they find it difficult to get any English to undertake this Service, but hope to be able to do it in another Season. Wee have consented to their sending three Persons by this Shipping Viz[t]. M[r]. Berlin to be a School Master, M[r]. Adler a Printer and his Brother they are not certain Whether he will reside at Madrass, but whenever it is, he is to instruct children there Gratis, They have Printed some small tracts in Portugueez of Prayers, the Catechism and other pious Collections for the use of the Scholars. Wee recommend to you to give your Countenance and Protection to the said Persons and other Protestant Missionarys to supply them with a few of the Portugueez Liturgys as you find it necessary, and do what else you think proper for the strengthning their hands in this difficult but honourable work of spreading the Gospell among the Heathens. Some other Requests they have made us among the rest that you should be empowerd to prefer such as they shall instruct preferable to other natives, which will be time enough to pronounce upon when wee hear the success of their Endeavours, and whether you have any and what Objections thereto.

[Wee] have represented to ym. what [we write] concerng. the missn. who [gave] us reason to hope they have been misrepresented to [. . .]

146. Wee approve of your allowing M[r]. Plutsho y[e]. missionary to take Passage on our shipping without paying Permission & have represented to that Society by their Secretary the 172[d]. Paragraph of your Letter by the Bouverie relating to that mission, who has given to some of our Directors good reason to hope the missionarys have been misrepresented to you. But be that as it will, The designs of the Society here are truly great and noble and wee would be willing to encourage the putting them in practice.

Advise us in yo[r]. next what salary was due to Dr. Chadsley.

147. When you advised us That D[r]. Chadsley Dyed you should have added whether you had paid him any sallary, or how much was due to him, which was to be paid to his wife here, as the Secretary by our order in his Letter of the 13[th]. January 1709 by the Bouverie and the 106[th]. Parag[h]. by the Dartmouth acquainted you, Wee find no mention made in your Letter about it. Wee suppose a Paper signed by M[r]. Frederick, indorsed M[r]. Chadsleys account currant receivd [by] the Bouverie is sent for that purpose, because, wee therein find his Sallary cast up and the Ballance due is Pagodos Fifty, thirty two fanams, Wee find also another Paper in the Averillas Packet with the same title signed by M[r]. Frederick and M[r]. Bulkley which makes a Ballance of Pagodos One hundred and seventeen due on acco[t]. of his Outcry, and in the Generall Letter is advised he o[wes] more than that, and it must be divided among his Creditors in proportion, by all which it looks as if the Fifty Pagodos was not paid as it ought, not but wee cant be sure a little clause in your Letter would have explaind this, remember it in yo[r]. next.

M[r]: Robson to be Cheif Surgeon.

148. Wee find you have put M[r]. Supply into D[r]. Chadsleys place if wee understand aright your 123[th]: Parag[h]: by the Bouverie and your Consultation of the 21[st]. July where you say, you have complyed therein with our order, but that is a mistake, for our 112[th] Parag[h]. says he may be entertaind one of the Surgeons not the Chief for that being M[r]. Robsons due by Succession, Wee direct he do enjoy it accordingly.

149. What souldiers wee now send which are the best wee could get and but few Youths. You will find the account in the Lists by the Ships they take passage on, among which are Severall Gardiners, Masons, Smiths & other usefull handicrafts, and at yo[r]. desire have entertaind the following Persons who come well recommended to us for their skill in training and teaching souldiers their exercises if you find they are so, and behave themselves well they will have yo[r]. Countenance if not they are under your Power Viz[t]. M[r]. Patrick Johnson for his Friends sake wee have given a Lieutenants Commission, and to Samuell Heydon, Richard Pearson, and Godfrey Van Ittern Wee have given Ensigns Commissions, these three last Wee more especially expect do take the care of exercising yo[r]. military. They are all entertained on our usuall Terms Viz[t]: Four Pounds a mo[nth] a Lieutenant, and Three Pounds an Ensign, there come also several Sargeants good Souldiers & understanding Decipline.

a Lieut[t]: & 3 Ensns: entertaind at ye: Compas: usual terms.

150. Wee continue in the mind wee were when wee wrote you by the Marlborough &c[a]. touching the Souldiers and Officers pay but in regard you have had so melancholly an occasion for their Service in the ffield Wee relax it as to such of them who have signalized themselves, for the time they were in actuall Service and leave it to you to give them such rewards as you shall Judge they really deserve for their encouragem[t]. and to excite others if ever there should be occasion.

relax our ordrs: by ye: Marlbro [relag] ye: Officrs: pay to such as have signalized them-[selves] in ye: feild, & do yo: give [ym:] furthr: encouragem[t]: they [deserve].

151. Since you give so great a Commendation of Capt[a]. Roach and Gunner Hugonin, If they continue to merit yo[r]. esteem Reward them as you Judge reasonable.

reward Capt: Roach & Gunnr: [Hugon]- in as yo: think reason-[able]

152. Wee are well pleased to find you so early began to reduce the extraordinary number of Peons to their ancient Establist number, that you had given orders to Fort S[t]. Davids to dismiss what they well can, and to strive rather to defend their bounds than expose the Souldiers out of them. Wee take these things to bespeak our trust that you will show the like good Husbandry on all occasions.

[. . .] ing ye: [extraordry:] Numb: [of pe]ons commended.

153. The allowance you gave to Ensign Dixons Widdow for the loss of her Husband in the War at Vizagapatam of ffive Pagodos a month during her Widowhood wee approve.

allowance given to Ensn: Dixon's widow approvd of.

154. Wee are very sorry to read the account you give us of Bayleys deserting to the Enemy, of the two murders you mention. The old Company always thought they had the power of trying such notorious malefactors, Being warranted by their Charter. Wee Subsisting by the New Companys Charter have never tryed whether wee could use that power, and indeed always wisht there might be no occasion. The great affairs of Peace &c[a]. with which the Privy Councill are constantly engaged has prevented our laying this matter before them as yet, but wee hope to do it with the first conveniency and shall then advise. In y[e]: interim wee say you did well to make Bayley a Publick example to all other such Villains, To make Sarjeant Makenny feel you had power to punnish his insolent incorrigibleness, To Cashire Captain Viver & Ensign Williams for being found Dead Drunk on their guard in time of War. If you find it convenient to do Something for Williams wee shall acquiesce. As to the two Persons charged with Murder if they are found guilty thereof confine them to strait

[we are] sorry to read the accot: [Bay]- leys desertn: & ye: 2 [. . .] yt: mentn:

Privy Council have been, [. . .] taken up yt: we could not [. . .] ye: matts: before ym: yo: [did] well to make

Prison, feed them with the Bread and water of affliction, & expect our further orders. Wee never [send] you profligate fellows out of choice, and to be sure would [. . .] return those you send home if wee knew it, but when you have any such you must cure their viciousness or send them off shore.

him a [Pub] lick. example & to exact authority in sending home [. .] Mackenny & breaking V- [iver] & Williams.

keep ye: murderers in strait prison and feed ym: wth: ye: bread & water of afflictn:

155. Wee have by these last Ships received a Representation from M^r. Francis and M^r. John Cooke our Essay Masters sett[ing] forth That they had served Eleaven Years in the Mint and several other Employments and went out under the same Indentures [. . .] Factors and having a good Character of them Wee say That [if] they continue to acquit themselves with diligence, Wee are co[. . .] to gratifye their desires, and to let them rise in our mercantile Service according to their Seniority, in regard they are under Factors Covenants. If either of them should thereby in Time come to be of the Councill, Wee dont think it convenient that [he] should be continued in the mint, But would have some Junior merchants Factors or Writers to be traind up under them in [. . .] in the knowledge of the Mint To the end there may be a Success[ion] of Persons qualifyed to undertake that charge in case of vacancyes.

Messrs: Francs: & John Cooke allowd to rise in ye: mercantile service.

but if they come into Council. they are not to be continued in ye Mint.

Seaventhly Touching our Accounts.

156. That our accounts should be sent us yearly wee have advised you formerly and of severall matters relating thereto which wee [will] not again repeat, what wee shall now add is from the Letters Consultations & other Papers before us.

Accots. to be sent home yearly.

157. Wee were exceedingly surprized to see in the first Letter received from our new Constituted President and Councill so sad a relation of the unaccountable carelessness of our whole Councill in generall and M^r. Mountague in particular about our Books, That no Journall parcells were read in Consultation in all his time and in the next Letter wee are told it was found out that he left them to the care of a raw young Lad taken off the Guard so that there was more trouble to rectifye his Errors than to begin the whole anew. Wee desire such of the then Councill as are now at the same Board to tell us what they think of this and whether they can answer it to their own Consciences to eat our bread and give it under th[e . . .] hands that wee have been so abused at a time when wee committed the mannagement of all our whole affairs under the Presidency of Fort S^t. George to them in Consultation. Wee have been told of their indolent passive temper, but without such convincing proofs of it could scarcely have imagined it had extended so far. It is true that each of them has his particular Province assigned but when in Consultation it is incumbent on them to examine how far each performs his part, To rectifye what is amiss and survey the whole of our affairs taking care our business do's not stand still or run backward. Wee mention this here to refresh your memorys & describe yo^r. Duty. It looks to us as if each was conscious of his own miscarriages and was afraid to have them enquird into and therefore durst not attempt to examine the transactions of his Brother councellour.

We are exceedingly surpriz'd with ye: unaccotable carelessness of our whole Councill & M. Mountague in ꝑticlr. during whose times no Journ ll ꝑcels were ever read.

[. .] reprehensns. thereupon.

In the preceding Govern^{rs}. time his unwillingness to be opposed was urged as the excuse for the Councells Silence & yet some times they would speak but now Wee find it worse, Wee hope this will be never so again.

Take notice ye one main use of ye mischief is [as]signd to ye irregularity of Warehouse accots.

158. Wee take notice that one main cause of the mischief complaind of is as aforementiond assigned to the Warehousekeepers who do not keep their accounts regularly, to prevent that for the future & that he may not pretend he has too much business by keeping both Import and Export Warehouse accounts (thô in the old Companys time when more business was don one Person mannaged both), wee have thought fit to direct as wee hereby do. That as the Presid^{t}. is Cash keeper,

[. . .] establishmt. of ye. employs of ye Council, by making an Import, and export Whkr.

the Second Accomptant, The Third be warehousekeeper of Goods to be exported from Madrass for Europe, the Fourth to be Warehousekeeper of Goods to be imported at Madrass from Europe, and the rest to succeed in the Stations they now are Viz^{t}. Sea Customer, Pay Master, Land Customer, Storekeeper, and Renter Generall. If these last are each so burdensom that one Man has not time to officiate in two Employments Wee further add, That for the future wee expect our own Covenant Servants be Assistants to each of these, and that all be not trusted to Conicoplys who wee should think by this time you must all know are rarely to be trusted further than they can be seen. By the Acco^{t}. wee have had most of our Councellours think it enough for them to have the Honour Sallary and advantages of their stations, but as to the business that is below them to attend. to [. . .] fitt to be managed by their Black Servants. Wee should be glad this Report had nothing or but very little truth in it, and that M^{r}. Empson (of whom you write that it will be very difficult [& im] possible to make up his accounts) was the only person charge[ed] with this character.

ye. export Whk & storekr to keep a regular Journll. & Leidger of wt. they receive & deliver.

159. That the Warehousekeeper for European Goods, Bullion and the Storekeeper do always keep each a regular Journall Leidger of all things under their care, debiting every Person for what they deliver, and Creditting them for what they [Pay], That they never deliver anything without a Generall or particular order of Councill, That they Monthly or oftner [. . .] their Books into Consultation to be perused and examined, to see what Debts are standing out, and that care be taken [the] Same be speedily collected, and not suffered to be forgott and lost: This will be a greater security for both those Officers for as things now stand wee often find they appear very considerable Debtors in yo^{r}. Generall Books, and in case of losses which ought to be chargeable but themselves, We have mentiond before about trusting our Covenant Servants.

that their books be monthly examd. in Consultatn

ye Callicoes Whkrs to do ye same. Yt. he yearly settle ye joynt stock Merchts acco.

160. That the Callico Warehousekeeper do in like manner keep Books of all he has receiv'd in and deliverd out of each Species of Goods under his charge, whereby on all occasions it may appear what remains, and then wee may hope there will be no Goods to ly rotten and neglected in the Warehouse as beforementioned, That the account of the Joynt stock merchants be yearly setled and the Ballance asertained if the whole can't be cleard and discharged.

No Pson to leave his employ till he has balanced his accots, with some othr directs in case of death

161. That in case of advancement by succession no person leave his present business to go into another, till he has Ballanced his accounts and the Councill approve thereof, and also the Person who Succeeds him accept the same or as before mentiond setle the remains he takes into possession, That such person make himself Debtor for that Ballance and if the succession come by Death That the Executors, Administrators or Trustees do settle the Ballance and in case there be none that a Committee of the Councill do settle the same and take care the successor charge himself therewith, and if there be any Goods or Cash wanting that the same be ascertained and recoverd in the same manner as before directed about the Warehousekeeper.

List of all ye. certain [Revenues] do always lie upon ye. Councill table.

162. That in all the Branches of the Revenues which are certain the Councill have a List thereof lying on the Table and Monthly at furthest enquire whether what due thereon be paid in and if it be not that they take care for its speedy recovery.

163. That in such of them as are uncertain the Persons receiving the Same do pay in what they receive Monthly or weekly or oftner and every month give in their accounts to be examind and past, and settle the Ballance due thereon.

Pe'ns who collects ye. uncertain revens to read their accots. wt. they receive moly.

164. That the Presidents account of Cash and every Person to whom he issues the same do account Monthly and that the Ballances be enterd in Consultation, That all Persons who keep any the said accounts do Ballance them yearly at the time the Generall Books are and send us Copys thereof, or when they have not time do send us an abstract of their Ballance to compare here with the Generall Books.

[. . . wt] Cash to be read monthly [. .] accots. be ballanced. wth. [. . .] books, & copys sent.

165. Wee might descend to more particulars but think these sufficient to show you our generall aim, you may settle any others or if you can may improve these, which if well observd wee hope there will be no future occasion to complain of Goods spoiling in the Warehouse, of great Debts being hazardous as in the Tobacco and Beetle Farmers, of the forgetting to collect our Revenues as in the Quit Rents and Scavengers Duty, of a great parcell of Copper Dudoos[1] taken from the Arrack ffarmers in part of their Debt they having no other mony, and which lay neglected and forgotten in the Warehouse, of great Debts contracted by the Warehousekeepers trusting as in the case of Six Chests of Treasure deliverd Calloway Chittee in August 1706 not accounted for, and in the case of Mr. Coningesby and many other Particulars.

[. . .] have ye. settle any regulatn. or improve. these [. . .] think necessary.

166. That the Accomptant make from the Severall Accounts the proper Entrys into the Generall Books, and when they are annually Ballanced That he deliver in to the President and Councill an abstract of all Debts due to us thereby and for what acco[t]. that they may take imediate take [steps ?] for their speedy recovery, that wee may never again have a complaint like that [. . .] Paragraph by the Averilla of great Debts standing in the Bo[oks] transported from one Book to another, that scarce any person can give an account how they arose or what done for getting them in, or that the Brickmakers should stand Debtors ever since Mr. Marshalls time, and no body can tell who they [were] and he being Dead wee cant learn anything of him.

[. . .] Accompt. to delivr. in [up]on the balle. of the books [an] abstract of all debts due [to] us.

167. Wee find the Sea Customer charges every Person with the amount of what he Imports on its landing, but for the encouragem[t]. of Trade the merchant often dos not pay the s[ame] till some months after which appears to us because that Mr. Raworth who was Sea Customer and left Fort St. George[. . .]least his Post in July, yet Mr. Davenport pays in mony in Decemr. following on his account. Wee should be glad the payment was setled to a time certain, and not left as it s[eems] now to be done when the Importer pleases.

We wish ye. paymt. of ye. Sea Customs was better ascertained.

168. Wee observe you are upon setling severall Rules for the better keeping the accounts, preventing irregularitys in the Warehouse and other employs, and to facilitate their Ballancing. Wee shall be pleased to hear they are done.

We shall be pleasd to hear yo. have settled ye. regulatns. ye. were making, for ye. bettr. keepg. our accots.

169. In the Packetts you will see Copy of the account of the intend[ed] Present for the Mogull sent us by the Frederick, that you may thereby find out Whether the Debts of them who provided par [t] thereof as you mention in your 111th. Paragraph by the Averilla ought to stand or be discharged in part or whole, but wee must observe it was an unaccountable carelessness to suffer it to be sent away before entry and shows the mannagem[t]. of those times.

We send yo, herewth. copy of ye. Invo. of ye. intended prest. to ye. Mogull for yor. examinasn.

170. Wee are content you should open a new account for the West Coast as you promise that wee may thereby see how it dos and shall stand from the time it was returned again under your Superintendency.

We are content yt. yo. open a new acct. for ye Wt. Coast.

[1] Du doos are copper coins, eight of which make one *fanam*. See under 'cash' on pp. 167 and 168 of *Hobson-Jobson*.

wt. yº. write concernᵍ. Cash Chitty shoud have been bettʳ. explaind.

171. You advise Cash Chittee one of the Joynt Stock Merchᵗˢ. who stands Dʳ. Pagodos Two thousand Six hundred fourty eight is dead insolvent you should have explaind this why you gave us the account, & how he come to be so much in Debt, whether to the old Company or to us since, and what endeavours were used for its Recovery.

[Pacheeo] is ready to pay ye. [poor] relats. [of Mr Lees. . .] him.

172. The Bill of Exchange drawn on Mʳ. Pacheeo for accoᵗ. of Mʳ. Lees poor Relations he says he is ready to pay so soon as Mʳ. Eston empowers him so to do but cant before.

[we] have pd. Mr. Richardsons but yº. omitted to mentn [towᵐ] it was payable [or when].

173. Wee have accepted and paid the Bill of Exchange drawn on us for Six hundred Pagodos part of the Estate of Mʳ. Richardson Deceasd, but you never mention to whom it was payable at what time, which should not have been omitted.

Touching the West Coast.

[wé] had Mr. Shingle before [com]. mittee, but they have not [ti]me to go thrô his Exam.

174. Wee take notice of what you write relating to this Head in your severall Letters. As to the stores sent thither, Wee have mentiond our Opinions before wee have had Mʳ. Shingle before a Committee, but by reason of the sales which are but lately finished and the setting out of these Ships and other occasions, They have not been able to go thrô his whole examination & report it to us. Your observations That Mʳ. Harrison and Captª. Phrip did not proceed so far as to get sufficient proofs to all their charges against him and others are just and wee choose to mention it here That whenever you shall send any Supervisors to the West Coast You may give them particular Injunctions to do better & prevent such a notorious cause of Complaint. But Captª. Phrip absolutely denys the charge against him about Mʳ. Shingles goods and shows us under Mʳ. Shingles own hand dated the 4ᵗʰ. June 1710, That he carryed them at Mʳ. Shingles desire to Batavia and sold what he could in Complyance with his Orders which mention that he had permission from the Governʳ. and Councill of York Fort to send and sell them there.

yo. send any supr. visʳˢ. thithr. [. . .] ym. to take sufficient [. . .] of their charges. Phrip proves under. Skingles hand yt. he carryd his goods [to] Batavia at his request.

[. . .] [. . .] will have heard before ys. [. . .] Jane was taken at Rio [Janeiro, we therefore wish [. . .] sent some. body to ye. [co]ast on ye. Oxford to have [super]-vised ym.

175. You will understand long before this That the Jane went to Rio Janeiro, was taken there by the French, ransomd by Mʳ. Collett who had a seaven Months pass, was at the Cape in January in her way to Madrass, so that wee could have wished you had sent somebody on the Oxford or any other the Vessells which carryed Petre and Red Wood to Bencoolen to have supervised our Factorys, regulated what was amiss & brought you back a Report of the State of the affairs of that Coast for wee learn by the Thistleworth lately arrivd that Mʳ. Ettrick is Dead and severall others, So that the Factors there are but few, Wee intend to send them some supplys this Season besides the two ffactors & a Writer sent by the Abingdon.

[. . .] ality in ye. wt. Coast Settlemts. [. . .] mended.

176. Wee cant omitt reminding you That wee find in the P [. . .] made you the 16ᵗʰ. August 1711. and enterd after that Con[sultation]. The accomptant had examind all the Books from York Fort from 31ˢᵗ. July 1685 to 22ᵈ. July 1702. and finds their charge[s] to amount to one year with another Fifteen thousand three hundred and 17 Dollars, but the expences of Subordinate Factorys were not included therein, Wee must observe till [after] that time those ffactorys were not lavish as lately they have been so far as wee can gather by enquiring of the old Comp[ªˢ] Servants. Wee note this That you may

have it in Memory a[nd] take care to curb their intollerable profuseness, It was in the first Settlements that wee was at the charge of buildings and be sure they must cost much more then they can now if o[ur] People are faithfull.

177. M[r]. Collett, ransomd the Jane for Three Thousand F[ive] Hundred Pounds for which he drew Bills on us, and left h[is] Sonn & Servant as Hostages for the payment. They are since brought to France and the Bills have not been paid, part[ly] thrô disputes with the Owners who at length have declard they will not pay their part or have any thing to do with it and partly because wee have not had proper proofs of the French condemning her as Lawfull Prize, Wee expect it speedily and then shall discharge the Bill and get back the Prisoners [. . .] wee observe he values his own and other Persons Goods then [on] board, for the Treasure & Corall was plundred before, at Five hundred Pounds, Our goods at Fifteen Hundred Pounds, and that was the full value here to some Pounds, and the Ship Fifteen Hundred Pounds thô she cost to set to sea above double and it was her first Voyage. This wee think is not fair towards us he desires wee would Insure the Two Thousand Pounds and place the charge to his account by which it lo[oks] as if he intended the ship and all the Goods on board except our Cargo should be for his own account, for he writes very da[. . .] he adds he proposes to make of them Two Thousand Pounds and to pay the same into our Cash at Bencoolen, By reason of the aforesaid dispute wee have made no Insurance.

wee have not yet pd. ye. bills Mr. Collet drew on us for the Janes ransom but shall when we get proof of her being lawfully condemnd.

but we dont think ye. valuatn fairly made

178. Wee have considerd the severall Paragraps of your [Letter] by the Averilla from 61 to 68 relating to the English Private Trade from Madrass to the Bay and that of late Years the Armenians and Moors have engrossed it to themselves by reason the English have been Prohibited by us to go up into the Countrey and in Consequence must buy their Goods of our own People or the Broker at their own Prices, So that they trade to advantage while the English are loosers, and therefore have left it off, That no Freight can be gotten there for the English without paying Ten ℔ Cent Commission for procuring it, and in answer thereto say, That we were always willing and still are to give all our Servants encouragement to get Estates honestly by the fair way of Trade, and therefore on the first Union of the Two Companys in our Letter to the Bay of the 2[d]. March 170⅔ which wee made a particular Letter by itself for the greater Solemnity of it, Wee directed our Councill there to give Dusticks[1] to all English whatsoever in our Service or Freemen under our Protection for their Goods and that they might make their Investments where they found it for their advantage, for which the said Councill were to give them those Dusticks and all other assistance, and this wee design'd should be a standing order. But it was not long before wee found our good intentions abused for in the year 1705, the Generall Letter from the Bay by the Northumberland dated the 30[th]. Novem[r]. advises us of Mess[rs]. Petty and Fleetwood being in the Bay perverting our design and applying our Dusticks for Goods for the separate Traders by their unskilfulness in buying up Muslins Salt Petre &c[a]. Goods proper for Europe, raising the Price on us and by their firing of Guns & other revell rout giving the natives a mean Opinion of the English Government. This made us in our Letter to the Bay of the 7[th]. February [. . . to] leave it to the Councill there to use the power wee Inv[ested] them with to put a stop to and prevent such notorious [. . .]. Wee have this further to add thereto, That our own Servants [. . .] Estates are there always at stake to answer for any irregular actions that any other English may be guilty of who go u[p] the Countrey, which if committed by Armenians, Moors or other Nations will no way [pro]tect us. Now if you can give [us] any certain assurance & [. . .] own a proper scheme for [. . .] That these things shall be [preven]ted and that such [. . .] may be allowed to make [their in]vestments, for [. . .] of India, and which dont interfere with our Investments

[concer]ng ye: private trade [from] Madrass to Bengll;

[1] A Pass or Permit.

and no way prejudice our affaires either by ill behaviour towards the natives or by raising the Goods upon ourselves wee are readily inclined to revive our orders aforementioned for the English in the Bay having our Dusticks but only for English Peoples Goods, By which wee propose also to come to a greater certainty whether our own People or the Brokers deal honestly with us in our own Investments, and are content. You should forthwith set about it, advising to the Bay what wee now write you and the methods by you laid down to regulate such English in their Trade and Investments in B[ay] and sending us the same for our approvall or further direc[tions] upon them. We have now under Consideration to with[draw] all our Out Factorys and that what Goods are bought up may be only at Fort William and Hugley.

We desire yo: to give yor : assistance in ye : recovery & remittg : Mr : Stokes's estate to his [da]ughter.

179. Mr. Herne one of our Directors has represented to us That Mr. Robert Stokes late Free Merchant of Fort St. George Dy'd some time since there, and by his Will made in India ga[ve] to his Daughter Mary Stokes in England the greatest part of the Estate excepting only some Legacys, he named therein an Ex[ecutor]. The Daughter has by allowance of Doctors Commons chosen her Grandmother Mrs. Mary Stokes her Guardian who has by [Letters] of Attorney sent on the Hannover and King William empow[ering] Mr. Frederick and Capta. Gostlyn her Attorneys to recover the Estate and remit it to England in Dyamonds on our Ships, Registring the same with you, or by paying it into Cash, and taking Bills on us as they think best. Wee therefore hereby desire & order you to give them your Countenance and assistance for the better recovery of the whole when and as oft[en] as they shall desire, and advise us what is done there[in] by the next.

Corporals wife ꝑmitted to [go] out, but her passage to be [reimbursed] us at 6s : a month.

180. Wee have permitted Sarah the Wife of William Hartwe[l] a Corporall who takes passage on the Hannover to go with him and have paid her Passage here, but you are to receive it [. . .] him again by Five Shillings a Month, stopt out of his pay till the whole[of] which is Eight Pounds be reimbursed us.

[. . .] to be pd : [. . .] ye : bulln :

181. Ha[rtwel] had Severall Sumes paid into our Cash here by the F[riends] or Relations of the Persons undermentioned Wherefore [wee] hereby order you to pay on the Arrivall of the Hannover to Mr. Alexander Bennett out of the Bullion to be receivd by her Four Hundred Ounces of Bullion,—To Mr. Charles Bowles Free Merchant out of the Bullion to be receivd by the Frederick, Thirteen hundred Seaventy one Ounces, and to Mr. Fleet Aynsworth out of the same Bullion Two Thousand Ounces—and to John Turton out of the Bullion to be receivd by the Hannover Six Hundred Ounces—They being severally to run the Risco thereon, Do you advise to the Bay when you receive the Bullion by the Frederick because our President and Councill there are then to pay John Osbaldoston One hundred Seaventy Seaven Ounces as wee now write them.

Animadversns : upon ye : [. . .] expeditn :

182. We have lately had a very surprizing account of our Peoples bold undertaking in the Bay, touching which wee write them now at large, and acquaint them with the many ill Consequences that probably may arise from it. The short of it is This, That a King of the Maldivees having been at Mecca on his return found a slave of his had usurpd his Throne and would not let him come ashore, on this he goes to Bengall and there addrest himself to the Dutch for their assistance to restore him, but they refused to meddle, then applys himself to our President and Councill and other English there, and they sent ships of their own, and severall of our Souldiers under the conduct of Mr. March to the Maldivees where some of our Souldiers were killed, and the attempt thereby frustrated, however they took two ships belonging to Ballasore on pretence they carryed Powder Iron and other stores to the Maldivees, one of these Ships belonged to the Moors, her they cleard the other to the Gentues her they condemned and Confiscated to the Captors use. This expedition was two years ago, and lookt like a Private undertaking, and the President & Councill rather Conniv'd at it then set it on foot except only as to the loan of Souldiers, But

last year They set forward a second expedition & furnisht One hundred and ten of our Souldiers under Capt^{a}. Gordon and M^{r}. Calvert went as Generall and was to have Ten Thousand Rupees if he succeeded, and the English there were to have the sole trade to that Kingdom, They also tempted away Sixteen or Seventeen of the S^{t}. Georges Sailors with his Surgeon, so that he came away without any or so much as a Surgeons mate, and Capt^{a}. Goodman was forced to hire Lascarrs to sail his ship with whom wee have had great trouble here, They likewise got away three of the Aurengzebes Sailors and gave all of them Four or Five Months pay in hand. Wee tell you this that you may and Wee hereby require that you do make the best enquiry you possibly can into the whole of this affair and how it issues, and send us the account thereof with whatever [else] comes to your knowledge relating thereto, for that it is such a bold unwarrantable attempt as was never before heard of. Wee expect this the rather from you because wee hear M^{r}. March was at Fort S^{t}. Davids with our Souldiers after the first Expedition had miscarryed—Wee are

Your Loving Friends

HENRY LYELL
ROB^{t}: BRISCO
JO^{s}: WORDSWORTH.
JOHN GOULD [. . .]
JON^{a}: ANDREWES.
GEORGE MATHEWS.
NATH: HERNE.
HENRY KELSEY.
ROB^{T}. CHILD.
THOMAS WRIGHT.
ROB^{T}. NIGHTINGALE.
CHARLES PEERS.
W^{M}. HODGES.
W^{M}. DAWSONNE.
ROB. MICHEL.
JOHN EYLES.
W^{M}. COTESWORTH.
PETER GODFREY.

LIST OF GOODS TO BE PROVIDED AT THE COAST OF CORMANDEL FOR THE SHIPS GOING OUT THIS YEAR 1712–13.

		Pieces.
Long Cloths Ordinary ...	from Madrass Twelve Thousand of N°. 1. 2 and very few of N°. 3. they being useless here	12000
Ditto ...	Twelve Thousand of W. 1. 2. 3. which Sorts well made are approved of here.	12000
Ditto ...	from Fort S^{t}. David Ten Thousand without too much Congee & Stronger then those sent by the Ships this last Year N°. 1. 2. only	10000
Long Cloths Midling ...	from Madrass Five Thousand of N°. M. 1. 2. 3.	5000
Ditto ...	from Fort S^{t}. Davids four Thousand N°. M. 1. 2.	4000
Long Cloths Blew	from Madrass of the Deep Black Blew & well dried to prevent Mildew Two Thousand	2000
Ditto	of light Blew One Thousand	1000

			Pieces.
Long Cloths Fine ...	...	from Madrass of N°. 1. 2. 3. Two Thousand	2000
Ditto ...	...	from Fort S^{t}. David one Thousand N°. 1. 2. 3.	1000
		As much Long Cloth of Vizagapatam as you can get to the vallue of Six Thousand Pounds sterling but they must be of seventy two Coveds Long & two Coveds and a quarter Broad made finer and better thô they cost something more	£ Ster. 6000
Sallampores Ordinary	...	from Madrass of Thirty two Coveds long and Two & a quarter Broad Thirty Thousand N°. 1. 2. 3. better then those sent home by last ships	Pieces. 30000
Ditto	...	of N°. W. 1. 2. 3. Ten Thousand made where the Long Cloths mark't W. are made	10000
Ditto	...	from Fort S^{t}. Davids Ten Thousand N°. 1. 2. 3.	10000
Sallampores Midling	...	From Madrass Five Thousand N°. 1. 2. 3. M.	5000
Ditto	...	from Fort S^{t}. David Three Thousand N°. M 1. 2	3000
Sallampores Fine ...	...	from Madrass Four Thousand	4000
		As many Sallampores from Vizagapatam as you can get to the vallue of Four Thousand Pounds Sterling ...	£ Ster. 4000
Bettellees	...	from Madrass of Twenty four Coveds long Two Thousand as good as those that arrived here two years ago & better then those by the ships last arrived	Pieces. 2000
Ditto	...	of N°. 25. & 26. of Forty Coveds Fifteen Hundred	1500
Ditto	...	of N°. 28. & 29. of Fifty Coveds Fifteen Hundred Pieces	1500
		These sorts sell very ill here otherwise we had ordered a Greater Number of them.	
Bettellees Oringall	...	Three Thousand of N°. 1. 2. to be fine and clear without Frays	3000
Fine Chints ...	...	from Madrass Five Hundred of Bright and Lively Colours but not too much Green	500
		Of the Following Goods none to be sent of them of any Sort whatsoever.	

GINGHAMS. STRIPT BETTELLEES.
NECK CLOTHS. BETTELLEES from Fort S^{t}. Davids.
MOREES.

List of Free Merchants to whom the Court have granted leave to reside at Fort S[t]. George.

William Dutton ...	...	On the Cardigan.
James Monger ...	...	On the Frederick.
Robert Thurkettle	...	On the Hannover.
Charles Bowles ...	...	On the Frederick.
Thomas Cooke ...	...	On the dos not yet appear.

The above is List of the Severall Free Merchants who take their Passage on the Ships abovementiond—East India House the 2[d]. February 1712.

Tho Woolley,
Secry.

London the 31[st] January 1712.

Abstract of the Cardigan's Invoice for the Bay of Bengal Viz[t].

Lead 683 Slabs	£	576	19 0
Spanish Iron 1553 Barrs		568	14 0
Iron Guns 62		156	4 1
Cordage 25 Coyls		506	4 5
Shott 6000		66	15 8
Long Ells 47 Bales q[t]. 940 p[s].		2,363	0 0
Cohorn Mortars 24		66	0 0
Stationary Ware 2 Ch[ts]. & 1 Bottle Ink ...		73	3 3
Glass Sconces 5 Chests		81	7 6
Callimancoes 8 Bales q[t]. 200 p[s].		500	0 0
Worsted Cambletts 1 Bale q[t]. 10 p[s].		65	0 0
Anchors 20		352	16 1
Looking Glasses 4 Cases		158	13 6
Broad Cloth 456 Bales q[t]. 1367 Clothes ...		15,167	13 6
Hair Cambletts 2 Cases q[t]. 10 p[s].		216	15 0
Brocaded Silk 1 Box q[t]. 6 p[s].		422	9 6
Gold & Silver Orrice 1 Box		27	5 11
Cutlary Ware 2. Boxes		115	18 0
Gloves 1 Box		20	0 0
Buff Skinns 1 Box		21	8 4
Compasses 1 Case		8	16 0
Hour Glasses 1 Baskett		4	19 0
Sword Blades 2 Boxes		157	0 6
Medicines & Drugs 3 Chests	£	168	4 10
Clocks 8 Cases q[t]. 5		154	0 0
Fire Armes 15 Cases		485	16 10
Velvets 2 Boxes q[t]. 14 p[s].		334	3 1
Imbost Cloth 24 Cases q[t]. 36 Clo[s].		548	15 0
Silver 40 Chests		42,704	8 7
Iron Mongers Ware 20 Casks		267	0 2
Charges of Merchandize		331	15 11
Totall ...	£	66,691	7 8

London the 28th. January 1712.

ABSTRACT OF THE KING WILLIAM'S INVOICE FOR FORT ST. GEORGE—VIZT.

Stockholm Iron 3,789 Barrs	£	1,100	0 0
Beer 18 puncheons		50	14 0
Broad Cloth 190 Bales qt. 570 Clos. ...		5,569	17 6
Long Ells 10 Bales qt. 200 ps.		487	10 0
Stationary Ware 2 Chts. & 1 Rundlet Ink ...		75	16 5
Cordage 115 Coyls		1,033	11 4
Tar 12 Barrels		27	19 6
Silver 40 Chests		41,919	12 7
Charges of Merchandize		251	6 6
Totall ...	£	50,516	7 10

London the 31st. January 1712.

ABSTRACT OF THE FREDERICK'S INVOICE FOR FORT ST. GEORGE—VIZT.

Stockholm Iron 3,395 Barrs	£	935	0 0
Iron Guns 38		132	14 9
Cohorn Shells 200		10	16 8
Shott 3,500		68	2 8
Long Ells 10 Bales qt. 200 ps.		385	0 0
Broad Cloth 189 Bales qt. 567 Clos. ...		6,184	15 6
Tarr 20 Casks		74	15 0
Anchors 15		324	7 4
Holland Ducks 3 Cases qt. 50 ps.		167	10 0
Bells 3 Casks qt. 10		76	2 1
Lines 5 Casks		124	1 8
Fire Armes 8 Cases		146	15 0
Cordage 8 Coyls		43	2 4
Mountain Wine 2 Butts		66	0 0
Glass Ware 1 Chest		19	17 7
Naval & Garrison Stores 3 Casks		22	17 10
Sword Blades 1 Case		40	8 4
Cutlary Ware 1 Box		10	19 4
Silver 30 Chests		31,427	0 7
Gun Flints 2 Casks		13	15 0
Charges of Merchandize		201	8 9
Hand Granado Shells 500		13	10 10
Totall ...	£	40,489	1 3

London 31st. January 1712.

ABSTRACT OF THE HANNOVER'S INVOICE FOR FORT ST. GEORGE—VIZT.

Stockholm Iron 7045 Barrs	£	1,787	10 0
Sea Coales 31 Chaldrons		50	7 6
Iron Guns 9		308	3 0
Shott 200		17	13 7
Stationary Ware 2 Chts.		74	4 8
Florence Wine 16 Chests		171	2 0

Gunpowder 25 Barrels	£	82	10	0
Long Ells 20 Bales q^{t}. 400 p^{s}.		872	10	0
Tarr 39 Casks		127	14	6
Iron Mongers Ware 59 Casks &c^{a}.		811	6	4
Saddles 2 Boxes		68	2	0
Florence Oyl 2 Casks		41	1	3
Vinegar 2 half hh^{ds}.		5	16	0
Broad Cloth 358 Bales q^{t}. 1073 Clo^{s}. ...		11,049	13	6
Gold & Silver Thread 2 Boxes		1,161	6	1
Pickles 2 Cases		20	1	6
Currants 1 Barrel		5	18	8
Cheese 6 Casks		18	0	0
Powder Hornes 1 Cask		4	11	8
Fuzees 2 Casks		*13*	*0*	*5*
Match 2 Casks		*7*	*15*	*0*
Ashen Staves 9 Bundles		*8*	*6*	*8*
Compasses 1 Case		*10*	*10*	*0*
Silver 40 Chests		*42,195*	*7*	*2*
Medicines & Drugs 3 Ch^{ts}. & 1 Hh^{d}. ...		*130*	*9*	*6*
Lanthornes 13 Casks		*55*	*7*	*0*
Imbost Cloth 10 Cases q^{t}. 15 Clo^{s}.		*221*	*2*	*0*
Hand Screws 16 p^{r}.		*33*	*14*	*0*
Beer 12 puncheons		33	16	0
Charges of Merchandize		296	18	8
Totall ...	£	59,683	18	8

SAMUL WATERS, ACCOUNT^{r}. GENER^{L}.

A MANIFEST OF GOODS MERCHANDIZE AND FORR^{N}. SILVER LYCENSED BY THE COMITTEE OF SHIPPING TO BE LADEN ON BOARD THE SHIP KING WILL^{M}. CAP^{T}.
1712 NEHEMIAH WINTER COMANDER BY THE FOLLOWING PERSONS, VIZ^{T}.

CAP^{T}. NEHEMIAH WINTER.

			£
N W B a G.	6 Chests of Wine q^{t}. 12 Doz^{n}. each Value		60
E	1 Chest of Wine D°. D°.		10
C	1 Chest of Wine q^{t}. 10 Doz^{n}. D°.		10
13 @ 20...	8 Chests of Beer q^{t}. 12 Doz^{n}. each D°.		32
F H ...	1 Chest of Beer q^{t}. 6 Doz^{n}. D°.		2
N W 1 a 4	4 Chests of Wine q^{t}. 10 Doz^{n}. each D°.		40
I	2 Boxes of Hatts D°.		50
H ...	2 Boxes of Hatts D°.		45
6 ...	1 Box of Hose D°.		40
1 a 3 ...	3 Cases of Glass Lanthorns D°.		7
1. 2 ...	2 Cases of Cuttlary Ware D°.		35
	1 Box of Gloves D°.		12
	1 Pipe of Wine D°.		30
		£	373

On the 5 ℔ Cent and Indulgence.

M^{R}. DEANE.

T. B.—B. C. 2 Chests of Wine q^{t}. Both 12 Doz^{n}. qu^{t}. Bott Value £8.
On the 5 ℔ Cent and Indulgence.

THE REVER^{D}. M^{R}. STEPHENS.

W. S. N.°. 1 @ 5 5 hampers of Beer q^{t}. 5 Doz^{n}. qu^{ts}. each.
9 ... ... 1 Box of Books
6 @ 8 ... 3 Hampers of Wine q^{t}. 4 Doz^{n}. each
10 ... ... 1 Chest of Stores.
11 ... ... 1 Box of Cordial Waters.
12 ... ... 1 Trunk of Shoos.
13 ... ... 1 Escrewtore of Apparrel.
14 ... ... 1 Chest of Drawers.
15 ... ... 1 Case of Brandy.

All Free of Freight being for his Own & Familys Necessary use in the Voyage.

Exam^{d}. Tho Lewes.

M^{R}. SAM^{LL}. LOCK SEN^{R}.

B. L. B. N°. 1 @ 6—6 Chests q^{t}. each 12 Doz^{n}. Bott of Wine on which he has paid £20 : 8*s*. For Freight into the Comp^{s}. Tresury being for the use of M^{r}. Barnerd & Benion on of the Council at Fort S^{t}. George.

M^{RS}. KATHARINE WOOLLEY.

E. B. N°. 9–1 Case of Cordial Waters & pickles being for the use of M^{r}. Edw^{d}. Bulkley on of the Council at Fort S^{t}. George. Freight Free.

M^{R}. JOSIAH MINGO. £

I. M. N°. 1. 2. 3. 4—4 Cask of Beer q^{t}. 30 Gallons each. Value 12
1 Small Box of Hatts D°. 10
£ 22

On the 5 ℔ Cent and Indulgence.

ROB^{T}. AYNSWORTH ESQ^{E}.

F. A. N°. 1–1 Chest of Beer q^{t}. 12 Doz^{n}. qu^{t}. Bott.
1 Box q^{t}. 3 Hatts & 4 p^{r}. Hose.
1 Chest of Wine q^{t}. 12 Doz^{n}. qu^{t}. Bott.
1 Half Chest D°. q^{t}. 6 Doz^{n}. qu^{t}. Bott

Freight Free being for the Use of M^{r}. Fleet Aynsworth.

M^{R}. JOHN PEELE 3^{D}. MATE.

I. P. N°. 1 2–2 Chests of Beer q^{t}. 12 Doz^{n}. each. Value £ 8.
On the 5 ℔ Cent and Indulgence.

CAP^{T}. NEHEMIAH WINTER.

N. W. N°. 7–1 Case of Saddles Value ... ... £ 40
1 Box of Hatts D°. 5
45

Also the Value of Four hundred & fifty pounds in Forreign Silver being p^{s}. $\frac{8}{8}$ on his alowance ℔ the Comp^{s}. Indulgence and the Value of Three hundred & fifty pounds in Forreign Silver being p^{s}. $\frac{8}{8}$ being a stock sent out by the Owners of the said ship for her Expences in the Voyage. ... ... £ 450

Exam^{d}. Tho Lewes.

Capt. Nehemiah Winter.

NW N°. 8–	...	... 1 Clock in a Case	Value	...	£ 5
22 @ 25–	...	... 4 Chests of Beer qt. 12 Dozn. Dº.		...	... 16
					£ 516

On the 5 ℔ Cent and Indulgence.

Mr. James Winter Cheif Mate.

I W	...	... 4 Chests of Beer qt. 6 Dozn. each.	Value	...	£ 8

On the 5 ℔ Cent and Indulgence.

Mr. Thos. Atkinson Surgeon.

T A	...	... 5 Chests of Beer qt. 6 Dozn. each	Value	...	£ 10
B.P.	...	... 1 Chest of Beer qt. 12 Dozn.	Do.	...	4
					£ 14

1 Chest & 2 half Chest of Beer—
On the 5 ℔ Cent and Indulgence.

Mrs. Hannah Pyke Passinger.

H P N°. 1	...	1 Small Chest } wearing aparrell—
2	...	1 Case qt. }

1 Hamper Wine qt. 2 Dozn. Bott.
1 Bundle of Bedding—
Freight Free being for her Necessary Use in the Voyage.

The Honble. Majr. Genll. Davenport.

H D N°. 1 @ 4	...	2 Chests of Wine qt. 12 Dozn. qut. Bott each. 2 Chests of Syder Ditto— Free of Freight being for the Use of Mr. Henry Davenport on of the Council at Fort St. George.

Mr. Samll. Perry.

I.P. N°. 1	...	1 Chest of Beer qt. 12 Dozn. qut. Bott. Free of Freight being for the use of his Son a Writer at Fort St. George.

Sr. William Soawen.

WS. N N°. 1	...	1 Case of Hose.
2	...	I Case of Hatts.
3	...	1 Case of Cutlary Weare— On which he has paid forty two shillings & 6d. for Freight.

Exam^{d}. Tho Lewes.

Mr. Samll. Perry.

I.P. N°. 2	...	1 Chest of Wine.
3	...	1 Small Box of Wearing Aparrl. & Necessarys.

Free of Freight being for the Use of his Son a Writer at Fort St. George.

Capt. Patrick Johnson.

P.I. N°. 1–2 ... 2 Chest of Beer qt. 6 Dozn. qut. Bott each.
3 ... 1 Trunk of Wearing Aparrel.
Free of Freight being for his own Use in the Voyage.

Mr. Richd. Pearson Ensigne.

T.C. N°. 1 ... 1 Chest of Beer
2 ... 1 Chest of Wine } qt. 12 Dozn. qut. Bott each.
Free of Freight being for his own Use in the Voyage—

Mr. Isaac Salvador.

F.S. N°. 2 ... 1 Box of Corral Beads–Value £480.
£ s.
On which he has paid 9 12 For Freight.

Mr. Newman.

B.Z. N°. 11–12 ... 2 Cases of Brandy &ca. Liquors.
13 ... 1 Box of Sugar.
14 ... 1 Box of Oatmeal &ca.
15 ... 1 Box of Wine.
16, 17 ... 2 Chests of Beer qt. 12 Dozn. qut. Bott each.
18, 19 ... 2 Cheeses in Lead.
20 ... 1 Trunk of Clothes.
2 Boxes of Books.
1 Trunk of Aparrl.
1 Chest of Beer.
Freight Free.

Mr. Moses Abendanon.

A. F. M. N°. 1 ... 1 Box of Corral Beads—Value £692-13-8.
£ s.
On which he has paid 13 17 For Freight.
Examd. Tho Lewes.

Thos. Simms Passingr.

T.S. ... 1 Box of Hatts Value—£10
Free of Freight.

Mr. Isaac Salvador.

F.S. N°. 2 ... 1 Box qt. Corral Beads Value—£480—
For which he has paid Freight & Permission into the Compas. Treasury.
East India House Londn. ye. 2d. Febry. 1712.
The above & a Sheet of Paper preceeding.
Examd. Tho Lewes.

A Manifest of Goods Merchandize on Forrgn. Bullion Lycensed by the Comittee of shipping to be laden on board the ship Hanover Capt. James Osborne Comdr. Vizt.

Natha l. Herne, Esqr.

T.F. N°. 15 ... 3 Chests of Wine.
... 2 Chests of Beer.
Freight Free being for the Use of Mr. Thomas Frederick, Second of Council at Fort St. George.

WILLIAM COTESWORTH ESQ^{R}.

I.E. N°.	@ 1–2	... 2 Half Chests of Wine.
	3	1 Small Cask of Cheese.
	4	1 Box of apparel and necessarys
	5	1 Rundlet of Liquors.

Freight Free being for the Use of M^{r}. John Emerson, Writer in Fort S^{t}. George.

NATHAN^{L}. HERNE ESQ^{R}.

T.F. N°.	1–2	.... 2 Boxes q^{t}. wearing apar^{l}. being for the Use of M^{r}. Tho^{s}.
		... Frederick, Second of Council at Fort S^{t}. George.
T.F. N°.	9	... also one Box of paper Freight Free being on the same acco^{t}.

D^{R}. CHARLES LONG.

C.L. N°.	2–3	... 2 Half Chests of Beer q^{t}. 6 Doz^{n}. each.
	1	... 1 Chest of Wine q^{t}. 14 Doz^{n}.
	4	... 1 Chest of Stores and Books.

Freight Free.

S^{R}. JOSEPH MARTIN KN^{T}.

W.M. N°.	1–2	... 2 Chests of Wine.
	3	... 1 Chest of Beer.

Freight Free being for the Use of his son M^{r}. William Martin on of the Council at Fort S^{t}. George.

Ex^{d}. Tho Lewes.

M^{R}. ROGER BRADDYLE.

F. H. N°.	1 @ 22	... 22 Chests of Wine.
	22 @ 34	... 12 Chests of Beer.
		... 4 Chests of Syder.

Five Tons and one Fifteenth thereof being Free of Freight The remainder being Ten Tons and five fifteenths paying Freight at Eight Pounds tenn Shillings ℔ Ton for which he must produce M^{r}. Duboises Certificate that its paid into the Comp^{as}. Tresury before shiped, being for the Use of Presid^{t}. Harrison at Fort S^{t}. George.

M^{R}. ISAAC NEWMAN MID^{M}.

I. N. N°.	1	... ... 1 Chest of Wine q^{t}. 12 Doz^{n}. qu^{t}. Bott

On the 5 ℔ Cent and Indulgence.

CAP^{T}. JAMES OSBORNE.

10 N°.	1 @ 6	...	6 Cases of Hatts	Value	£	150
	1 @ 2	...	2 Cases of Looking Glasses ...	D°.	„	50
	1 @ 3	...	3 Cask wro^{t}. Iron	D°.	„	85
H.D.I.O.	1–2	...	2 Cases Stationary ware ...	D°.	„	30
	4 @ 6	...	3 Cask Cuttlary ware	D°.	„	70
H.A.	@ E.	...	5 Cases of Hatts	D°.	„	70
I.B.	1	...	1 Case } Hatts	D°.	„	20
H. 1 O.	1	...	1 Box }			

W. W.	1 @ 3	...	3 Cask Hatts ...	...	...	Value	£	74
H.	1	...	1 Case of Glasses	...	...	D°.	„	30
	1	...	1 Case of Tinsey	...	...	D°.	„	26
10	...	...	4 Chests of Wine	...	...	D°.	„	40
10	...	...	1 Case of Saddles	...	...	D°.	„	40
							£	685

On the 5 ℔ Cent and Indulgence.

CAP^{T}. SAM^{LL}. HEYDON.

S. H. N°. 1–2 ... ... 2 Chests of Beer q^{t}. 6 Doz^{n}. qu^{t}. Bott each.

Free of Freight being for his own Use.

Ex^{d}. Tho Lewes.

M^{R}. SAM^{LL}. LOVEL MID^{M}.

S. N°.	1	...	...	1 Box q^{t}. Gross of Pipes	...	Value	£	0	8 0
	2	...	...	1 Box q^{t}. 33 pounds of Sugar	...	D°.	„	2	0 0
	3	...	...	1 Box of Candles	... ...	D°.	„	0	12 0
	4–5	...	...	2 Boxes of Sugar	... ...	D°.	„	1	10 0
	6	...	...	1 Case of Brandy	... ...	D°.	„	3	0 0
	7	...	...	1 Azimath Compass	... ...	D°.	„	4	10 0
	8	...	...	1 Cask of Ale ...	... ...	D°.	„	1	0 0
	9–10	...	...	2 Cask of Wine and Beer	...	D°.	„	3	0 0
	11–12	...	...	2 Cheeses in Lead	... ...	D°.	„	1	2 0
	13	...	...	1 Box of Hatts ...	... ...	D°.	„	10	0 0
	14	...	...	1 Small Cask of Butter	...	D°.	„	0	18 0
	15–16	...	...	2 Cask of Brandy or Sperritts	...	D°.	„	5	0 0
							£	33	0 0

17 ... ... 1 Chest of Wearing Apparrel.

On the 5 ℔ Cent and Indulgence.

M^{R}. THURCATLE FREE MERCH^{T}.

T. H. N°. 1 ... ... 1 Chest of Wine q^{t}. 12 Doz^{n}. qu^{t}. Bott.
1 Case of Pickles.
1 Chest of Wine q^{t}. 6 Doz^{n}. qu^{t}. Bott.
1 Chest of Wearing aparrel.
1 Hamper of Beer.
1 Box of Sugar.
1 Case of Cordial Waters.

All Free of Freight but one Quarter of a Ton and that paying Freight into the Compa^{s}. Tresury £ s. d 2–2–6 before it is shiped and a Certificate is to be produced from thence before it is shiped.

M^{R}. RUSSELL.

B. R. N°. 1 ... ... 1 Chest of Beer q^{t}. 12 Doz^{n}. qu^{t}. Bott.
2 ... ... 1 Box of apparrel.

Free of Freight being for the Use of his son a Writer at Fort S^{t}, George.

JOHN AVERLY, SOULDR.

M. H. ... ... 1 Trunk of Shooes ... ... Value £6
Free of Freight.

Exd. Tho Lewes.

MR. JOHN ROBBINS.

E. H. Nº. 5 @ 14 ... 10 Cases of Seeds and small Necessarys.
Free of Freight being for the Use of Govr. Harrison at Fort St. George.

MR. JOSEPH NORTH CHEIF MATE.

I. N. Nº. 1 ... ... 1 Box of Hatts ... ... Value £ 25
On the 5 ℔ Cent and Indulgence.

MR. NEWMAN.

1 Small Box of Books.

Free of Freight being sent out by the Society for promoting Christian Knowledge.

Pr. Order of Court.

MR. Thos. COOK, FREE MERCHT.

T. C. Nº. 1 ...	...	1 Chest of Wine qt. 12 Doznr. ...	Value	£	10
2 ...	...	1 Chest of Beer qt.	Dº.	„	4
3 ...	...	1 Chest of Wearing aparrl.			
4–5 ...	...	2 Cases of Brandy qt. 6 Gallons each	Dº.	„	3
6 ...	...	1 Bottle Lime Juice qt. 4 Gallons.			

Free of Freight being for his own Necessary Use in the Voyage.

F. MR. MOSES ABENDANON.

A. M. Nº. 2 ... ... 1 Box of Corral Beads ... ... Value £ 606 9 0

£ s. d.
On which he is to pay 12. 2. 9. For Freight and permission into the Compas. Tresury and a Certificate to be produced from thence that its paid before shiped, and Given Bond Persuant to the Order of Court 11 Novr. 1709.

Exd. Tho Lewes.

MR. JOSUAH GOMES SERRA.

S. F. Nº. 1 ...	...	1 Box of Rough Corral ...	Value	£	238	19	0
I. G. S. Nº. 2 ...	...	2 Boxes of Rough Amber ...	Dº.	„	133	16	8
				£	372	15	8

£ s. d.
On which he is to pay 14. 18. 1. For Freight and Permission into the Compas. Tresury and a Certificate to be produced from thence that its paid before shiped, and Given Bond persuant to the Order of Court 11th. Novr. 1712.

Mr. Jacob Farnandez Nunes.

P.N. ... ... 4 Boxes of Rough Corral ... Value £329 5 0

£. s. d.
On which he has paid 13. 3. 14 For Freight and Permission into the Compas. Tresury and Given Bond Persuant to the Order of Court 11th. Novr. 1709.

Mr. Isaac Salvador.

F.S. N°. 1. ... . 2 Boxes of Corral Beads and Branch Corral Value £ 896.

£ s. d.
On which he has paid 18. 2. 10 for Freight and Permission into the Compas. Tresury and Given Bond Persuant to the Order of Court 11th. Novr. 1709.

Mrs. Mary Berners.

I.P. N°. 1 ... ... 1 Chest qt. 10 Dozn. qut. Bott of Beer on which she has paid Fifty Six Shillings & 8d for Freight into the Compas. Tresury being for the Use of Mr. Josia Berners Free Merchant at Fort St. George.

Mr. Theobald.

Directed ... ... 1 Case qt. a Clock.
On which he has paid Freight into the Compas. Tresury.

East India House,
Londn. yc. 2d. Febry. 1712.
The above & a Sheet of Paper preceeding.

Examr. Tho Lewes.

1712.

A Manifest of Goods Merchandize and Forrn. Silver Lycensed by the Comittee of Shipping to be Laden on board the ship Frederick Capt. Rd. Phrip Comander by the Following Persons Vizt.

Mrs. Elizabeth Fawkner.

E. B. N°: 1 ... ... 1 Chest of Necessarys—
2 ... ... 1 Chest of Beer qt. 12 Dozn. quarts.
3–4 ... ... 2 halfe Chests of Wine qt. 12 Dozn. qut. Bott.
5 ... ... 1 Case qt. a Saddle—
1 Box of Drinking Glasses.

Freight Free being for the Use of her Brother Mr. Edwd. Buckley one of the Council at Fort St. George.

Capt. Richd. Phrip.

19 Chests of Wine qt. 12 Dozn. each Vallue ...				£	190	0	0
2 Do.	D°.	D°.	...	„	20	0	0
6 Chests of Beer qt.	D°.	D°.	...	„	24	0	0
4 Chests of Wine qt.	D°.	D°.	...	„	40	0	0
1 Fatt 3 Half D°. 1 Quarter D°. 2 Cases—	Hatts—		D°.	...	„	123	9	0
1 Cask of Cutlary Ware 1 Case D°.			D°.	...	„	66	9	6
2 Cases of Sword Blades			D°.	...	„	22	0	0
1 Cask Chase Hernish			D°.	...	„	10	0	0
				£		495	18	6

On the 5 ℔ Cent and Indulgence.

Mr. Anthony Merry.

E.H. ... ... 5 Chests of Wine Free of Freight being for the Use of Govr. Harrison at Fort St. George.

Exd. Tho Lewes.

Capt. Richd. Phrip.

R.P. N°. 1–2 ... 2 Chests of Looking Glasses Value ... £30 0 0
On the 5 ℔ Cent and Indulgence

Mr. Turton.

I.T. N°. 20— ... 1 Small Chests Chest qt. Wearing aparrl. & Stationary Wares and Stores—Free of Freight being for the Use of his son a writer at Fort St. George.

Mr. John Mason.

I.M. N°. 2 ... ... 1 Chest of Wearing aparrel—
1 ... ... 1 Chest qt. Do.—

Frt. Free being for the Use of his son John Mason in Fort St. George.

Mr. Richd. Newnam Purser.

R. R. N°. 3 @ 6 ... 4 Chests of Wine qt. 12 Dozn. qut. Bott each Value ... £40 0 0

On the 5 ℔ Cent and Indulgence.

Mr. Robt. Sewell Midm.

R.S.	1 Chest of Beer—	Value ...	£	2	10 0
	1 Box qt. 12 Hatts—	Do. ...		6	0 0
	1 Box of Cutlary Wares	Do. ...		5	0 0
			£13	10	0

On the 5 ℔ Cent and Indulgence.

Mr. John Bonner.

I.L. eg. ... ... 1 Box of Wearing aparl. & Necessarys.
Freight Free being for the Use of Mr. John Legg in the Compas. Service at Fort St. George.

Mr. Thos. Turner.

1 Box qt. abot. one Hundred wte. of Sweet-Meats.

Free of Freight being for the use of Mr. Thos. Theobald at Fort St. George.

Exd. Tho Lewes.

Mr. Clogie.

H.I. N°. 1 ... ... 1 Case qt. 5 Dozn. of Hatts being for Mr. Henry Jolly at Fort St. George for which he has paid Sixteene Shillings and Six pence for Freight.

Mrs. Masters.

E.M. N°. 1 ... 1 Small Box qt. Several Small wearing things for the Use of Mr. Empson at Fort St. George Free of Freight.

Mr. Charles Bowls, Free Merch[t].

C.B. N°. 1–2 ... 2 Chests of Wine q[t]. 12 Doz[n]. qu[t]. Bott each—
3 ... 1 Chest of Beer D°.
4. 5 ... 2 Cask of Ale
6 ... 1 Case of Lime Juice
7–8 ... 2 Cases of Brandy
9 ... 1 Box of Soap
10 ... 1 Small Cask of Cheese
11 ... 1 Chests of Wearing Apar[l].
12 ... 1 Box of Drinking Glasses.
13 ... 1 Box of Hatts.

All Free of Freight Except for on[e] Ton and that he has pay'd freight for Into the Comp[as]. Tresury.

Mr. Charles Weld.

WW N°. 1–2 ... 2 Small Boxes q[t]. 2 Hatts & 3 peruques & small Necessarys.
Free of Freight being for the Use of Cap[t]. W[m]. Weld at Fort S[t]. George.

Doct[r]. Oliver Colt.

OC 1 @ 6 ... 6 Chests of Wine and Beer q[t]. 72 Doz[n]. qu[t]. Bott.
1 Chest of Medicines.
Freight Free being for his own Use.

Mr. George Petty Passenger.

GP N°. 1 ... 1 Chest of Beer q[t]. 12 Doz[n]. qu[t]. Bott.
Free of Freight being for his own Use in the Voyage.
Ex[d]. Tho Lewes.

The Lady Ward.

SW N°. 3 ... 1 Chest of Beer q[t]. 12 Doz[n]. q[t]. Bott.
4 ... 1 Box of paper & Books.
1–2 ... 2 Chests of Wine—
Free of Freight being for the Use of her son Mr. Sam[ll]. Ward in the Comp[as]. Service at Fort S[t]. George.

Mr. James Munger Free Merch[t].

IM N°. 1 ... 1 Hamper of Wine q[t]. 3 Doz[n]. qu[t]. Bott.
2 ... 1 Chest of D°. q[t]. 12 Doz[n]. D°.
4 ... 1 Chest of Beer D°.
5–6 ... 2 Cases of Liquors.
1 Chest of Wearing apar[l].
3 ... 1 Chest of Wine.
1 Case of Liquors.
Free of Freight all but one Ton for which he has paid Eight pounds Ten Shillings For Freight.

Tho[s]. Pitt Esq[r].

RR N°. 1–2 ... 2 Chests of Wine q[t]. 12 Doz[n]. qu[t]. Bott each.
being for the Use of Mr. Rob[t]. Raworth Gov[r]. at Fort S[t]. Davids.
HD N°. 1–2 ... 2 Chests of Wine } For the Use of Mr. Henry Davenport
RD ... 1 Chest of Beer } one of the Council.
BB N°. 5 ... 1 Small Case q[t]. wearing apar[l]. for Mr. Benion.

TP ... 1 Case q^{t}. a Picture of Gov^{r}. Pitt.
all Free of Freight.

EH N°. 1, 3, 4, 5 ... 4 Chests of Wine q^{t}. 12 Dozen qu^{t}. Bott each.
2 ... 1 Chest of Beer q^{t}. D°.

BB N°. 1, 3, 4 ... 3 Chests of Wine q^{t}. D°.
2 ... 1 Chest of Beer q^{t}. D°.
being nine Chests on which he has paid £30-12*s*.
For Freight into the Comp^{as}. Tresury.
Ex^{d}. Tho Lewes.

THO^{s}. PITT ESQ^{R}.

EH N°. 6 ... 1 Chest of Wine q^{t}. 9 Doz^{n}. qu^{t}. Bott.

BB N°. 6–7 ... 2 Chests of Wine q^{t}. D°. each.

HD N°. 3 ... 1 Chest of Wine q^{t}. 9 Doz^{n}. qu^{t}. Bott.
On which he has paid Ten pounds 4*s*. For Freight into the Com^{as}. Tresury—being for the Use of Gov^{r}. Harrison, M^{r}. Henry Davenport & M^{r}. Barnard Binion at Fort S^{t}. George.

CAP^{T}. RICH^{D}. PENNILL.

TW N°. 1 ... 1 Chest of Wine q^{t}. 12 Doz^{n}. qu^{t}. Bott.
2 ... 1 Half Chest of Wine q^{t}. 6 Doz^{n}. qu^{t}. Bott.
Free of Freight being for the Use of Capt^{n}. Woodwil and M^{r}. Lucy in Bengal.

M^{R}. JOHN SHIPMAN.

4
$ N°. 1, 2, 3. ... 3 Chests of Wine q^{t}. 12 Doz^{n}. qu^{t}. Bott. each for the use
R—1 of M^{r}. Rich^{d}. Hunt, one of the Council at Fort S^{t}. George.

4
R N°. 1, 2, 3. ... 3 Chests of Wine q^{t}. 12 Doz^{n}. qu^{t}. Bott. each.
4, 5, 6. ... 3 Chests of Ale q^{t}. D°.

4 N°. 1. 2. 3. ... 3 Chests of Wine q^{t}. D°.
being for the Use of M^{r}. Rob^{t}. Raworth. Dep^{ty}. Gov^{r}. at Fort S^{t}. Davids & M^{r}. Jennings one of the Council at Fort S^{t}. George.
All Free of Freight.

4
$ N°. 1 ... Also one Small Chest of Aparrell.
RH

4
ISI 2 ... 1 Small Chest of Apar^{l}.

4
SR 3 ... 1 Chest of Aparrel.

4
$ ... 1 Small Box of wearing things.
J—B
All Free of Freight.

Mr. Newman.

BZ N°. 1–2.	...	2 Cases of paper Books & Types.
3–4.	...	2 Cases of Mallabarick Types.
5.	...	1 Case of Iron, Lead & Steel &ca.
6.	...	1 Case of Tull's for printing Press.
7–8.	...	2 Barrils Lamb Black.
9–10.	...	3 Barrils Oyl & Antimony.

Free of Freight.

Exd. Tho Lewes.

Mr. Richd. Davenport.

H D	...	1 Case qt. 12 Pictures.
C	...	1 Small Trunk qt. Women's Shoos ahead & Ribbons.

Free of Freight being for the Use of Mr. Henry Davenport one of the Council at Fort St. George.

Mr. George Petty Passinger.

G P N°. 2	...	1 Case of Strong-Waters.
3	...	1 Chest of Wearing aparrel.

Free of Freight being for his own Use in the Voyage.

Mr. William Colethred.

EB N°. 13–14.	...	2 Chests of Wine qt. 6 Dozn. qut. Bott. each.

Free of Freight being for the Use of Mr. Edwd. Bulkley one of the Council at Fort St. George.

Mr. John. Lownds.

BB N°. 1	...	1 Small Box qt. Wearing aparrel & Sweet herbs.
2–3	...	2 Small Cask of Beer qt. 12 Gallons each.

Free of Freight being for the Use of. Mr. Barnard Bynion, one of the Council at Fort St. George.

Mr. Charles Weston.

TW N°. 1	...	1 Box of wearing aparrel.
2	...	1 Small Box of Drinking Glasses

Free of Freight being for the Use of Mr. Thomas Wilford, Writer at Fort St. George.

John Perry Esqr.

RB N°. 1	...	1 Small Box of Aparrl. & necessarys being for Mr. Richd. Binion at Fort St. George—

Free of Freight.

Mr. Charles Du Bois.

EB N°. 5	...	1 Small Box qt. Garden Seeds for Mr. Edwd. Bulkley, one of the Council at Fort St. George.

Freight Free.

The Honble. Lord Furers.

Directed	...	1 Box qt. a Salvor & Candle Cup.

Free of Freight being for the Use of the Honble. Henry Therley Esqr. at Fort St. George.

Exd. Tho. Lewes.

Mr. John Potts.

2 Cases of Pickels.
1 Cask of Oyle.
6 Cheeses in Lead.
1 Chest of Beer.
N°. BBA 1 Cask of Oyle & Pickels.
B 1 Box of Tongues.

Free of Freight being for the Use of Govr. Harrison and Mr. Barnerd Binion at Fort St. George.

Mr. John Walker.

FW N°. 1 1 Trunk of Aparrel.

Free of Freight being for the Use of Mrs. Walker at Fort St. George.

Mr. John Benson.

Directed 1 Box qt. Books & Papers

Free of Freight being for the Use of Mr. Richardson at Fort St. George one of the Compas. Writers.

Mr. John Morgan.

IM N°. 1 1 Small Box qt. several wearing things & small Necessarys being for the Use of his son John Morgan, Writer at Fort St. George, Freight Free.

Mr. John Leplastrier.

IP N°. 1 1 Box qt. peices of Coral and Emeralds value £ 532–2–

£ s. d.

On which he is to pay 11–19–7 For Freight and permission into the Compas. Tresury.

Mr. Theobald.

Directed 3 Small Boxes of Tinsey.
1 Box qt. 3 Dozn. Hatts.
1 Box of Cuttlary Ware.

sl.

On which he has paid Five pounds 13–4, For Freight into the Compas. Tresury.

Exd. Tho Lewes.

Sr. Joseph Martin Knt.

WM N°. 1. 1 Case qt. one Sadle and Furniture 2 Hatts 2 perugues 6 pr. Shoos 3 pr. stockings and 3 Ream of Paper &ca.

Free of Freight being for the Use of his son Mr. William Martin one of the Council at Fort St. George.

Mr. Peter Merchant.

PM N°. 3—4. 2 Cases qt. 5 Spring Tables Clocks 12 pr. Silk Stockings.

£ s. d.

12 pr. worsted stockings 12 pr. Gloves Vallue 107-13-6.
On which he has paid four pounds Five Shillings For

£. s. d.

Freight and 5–7–9 for permission into the Compas. Tresury.

Mr. John Humphrys.

WHI
A
1 Small Box of Corral Beads value £30.
On which he has paid Twelve shillings for Freight and permission into the Compas. Tresury.

Mr. Dodding Braddyle.

✡ to 10 Chests
3 Chest of Rough Corral Value—£ 795–3.
£ s. d.
On which he has pd. 31–16–2 For Freight & permission into the Compas. Tresury.

Mr. Mosses Abendanen.

R
A M N°. 3
1 Box of Rough Corral Beads Value £ 433–16–7.
£ s. d.
On which he has pd. 11–5–4 For Freight & permission into the Compas. Tresury.

Mr. Jacob Farnandes Nunes.

PN
N°. 5 @ 13
9 Cases qt. Corral (Rough) Value—£ [8]55.
£ s.
On which he has pd. 34-4 For Freight & permission into the Compas. Tresury.
Exd. Tho Lewes.

Mr, Jeowah Gomes Serra.

SF N°. 2—3
2 Chests of Rough Corral Value. £ 513.
£ s. d.
On which he has paid 20–10–5 For Freight & permission into the Compas. Tresury.

Mr. Jacob Roderigus.

R. N°. 1—
put up in Mr. Dodding.
Braddyle Chest No. 10
1 Small Chest or Box qt. Corral Beads Value £ 446-15.
£ s. d.
On which he has paid 8–18–9 For Freight & permission into the Compa. Tresury.

East India house,
Londn. 2d. Febry. 1712.
the above & two Sheets of Paper preceeding.
Exd. Tho Lewes.

Account of Corall &ca. laden on Board the following Ships by the Persons undermentioned.

On the King William.

By Dodding Braddyll.

		£	s.	d.
Two Chests containing Corall Beads valued at ...	£	3,316	4	9

By Isaac Salvadore.

One Box containing Corall Beads valued at ...	„	480	0	0

By Moses Abendanon.

One Box containing Corall Beads markt Ar.M. N°. 1 valued at	„	692	13	8

ON THE HANNOVER.

By Dodding Braddyll.

		£	S.	D.
Five Chests containing Corall Beads, Rough Corall-Corall Toro, and Corall Gregio valued at ...	£2,534	9	9	

By Isaac Salvadore.

Two Boxes containing Corall Beads & Corall Branches valued at	„	896	0	0

By Jeosuah Gomes Serra.

One Chest of Rough Corall markt S.E. N°. 1 valued at	„	238	19	0
Two Chests Rough Amber markt I.G.S. N°. 1. 2 valued at	„	133	16	8

By Moses Abendanon.

One Box of Corall Beads markt A^{r}.M. No. 2 valued at	„	606	9	0

By Jacob Fernandes Nunes.

Four Boxes markt P.N. N°. 1 to 4 containing Rough Corall valued at	„	329	5	0

ON THE FREDERICK.

By John Le Plastrier.

One Box markt I.P. N°. 1. containing Emeraulds, Rings, Corall Turquoises, Snuf Boxes & Toys valued at	„	582	2	0

By Peter Marchant.

Two Boxes markt P.M. N°. 2, 3, containing five Spring Table Clocks, two small Pendulums, twelve pair Silk Stockings twelve pair Worsted Stockings and twelve pair of Leather Gloves valued at	„	107	13	6

By Jacob Fernandes Nunes.

Nine Cases markt P.N. N°. 5. to 13. containing 1,140 lbs. weight Rough Corall valued at	„	855	0	0

By Jeosuah Gomes Serra.

Two Chests markt N°. S.F. 2. 3. containing 380 lbs. Rough Corall valued at	„	513	0	0

By Moses Abendanon.

One Box markt N°. A^{r}.M. 3. containing Corall Beads, Corall Toro, and Branch Corall valued at	„	433	16	7

By Dodding Braddyll.

Three Chests markt N°. ✡S✡ to 10. containing
lbs. £ s. d.
589 Rough Corall valued at ... ... £ 795 3 0

By Jacob Rodrigues Silva.

One small Chest markt ◇R N°. 1. containing Corall
Beads valued at ... ... „ 446 15 0

By Jacob Fernandes Nunes.

ounces.
One Box markt IFN. N°. 1. containing 226.
of Corall Beads valued at ... ... „ 135 12 0

IN THE SHIP WINDSOR FRIGATT CAPT^A. ZACHARY TOVEY COMMANDER FOR EAST INDIA.

Thomas Clarke having Lycence from M^r. John Powell for Three Thousand Seven Hundred Pounds maketh Entry Viz^t.

s.
Long Ells Three Bales q^t. 60: p^s. at 30: 9 ℔ P^s. ... £ 92 5 0
Cloth Broad Five P^s. Cost ... ... „ 62 10 0
£
Lead Forty Fodder at 9 ℔ Fodder ... ... „ 360 0 0
O s.
Gunns Forty Two Viz^t. 22 q^t. 77 at 12 ℔ O is £ 46 4 0
20 D°. 30: ½ at 18 ℔ O „ 27 9 0
73 13 3
O s.
Anchors Twelve q^t. 54. ¼ at 28 ℔ O ... ... „ 75 19 0
s.
Stockings Twenty Doz. at 50 ℔ Doz. & 1 Doz. at
s. d.
5-6 ℔ Pair ... ... „ 53 6 0
s. d.
Hatts Fifteen Doz. at 4: 9 ℔ P^s. ... ... „ 42 15 0
oz. s. d.
Silver Forreign Coyned 9,454 at 5-6 ½ ℔ Oz. ... „ 2,619 10 11
Wines Forty Pipes to be taken in at Madeira at
£8 ℔ Pipe ... ... „ 320 0 0

Three Thousand Six Hundred Ninety Nine Pounds
Eighteen Shill^s. & 11^d. ... ... „ 3,699 18 11

IN THE JOSEPH RICHARD MOCHER FOR EAST INDIA.

Richard Thomson and Samuell Crisp by Lycence from Anthony Forty who has Lycence from John Russell make Entry Viz^t.

Fifty P^s. of Colchester Bays at £3-10-8 each ... £ 176 13 4
s. d.
One Hundred Long Ells at 28. 6 each ... ... „ 142 10 0
Sixty Sags at 33. each ... ... „ 99 0 0
Eighteen P^s. of Kerseys at 28 ... ... „ 25 4 0
Dying Charges ... ... „ 56 10 0
Four hundred ninety nine Pounds Seventeen
d.
Shillings & 4 ... ... „ 499 17 4

IN THE JOSEPH RICHARD MOCHER FOR EAST INDIA.

Richard Thomson and Samuell Crisp by Lycence from John Powell make Entry viz^{t}.

Four Hundred Ninety Nine Hatts at 2 s	£	49	18 0
Two Thousand Three Hundred Sixty Four Ounces of Forreign Silver at 5 : 6 d ℔ Oz : to be invested in Wines at Madeira	£	650	2 0
Seven Hundred Pounds	£	700	0 0

IN THE CONCORD CAPT^{A}. CHARLES NEWTON COMANDER FOR EAST INDIA.

Charles Newton having Lycence from John Powell for Three Thousand Pounds maketh Entry Viz^{t}.

Forty Fodder of Lead at £ 10–6–0	£	412	0 0
Two Dozen Scarlet Mens Hose Cost ... „		7	10 0
Two Dozen Scarlet Womens D^{o}. ... „		4	4 0
Fourteen Dozen Mens Mixt Worsted D^{o}. ... „		34	16 6
Sixty Yards Black Cloth at 14 s ... „		42	0 0
Twenty five Yards Scarlet D^{o}. cost ... „		26	6 0
Five hundred Fifty Eight Felts Cost ... „		56	0 0
Twenty four Carolina Hatts Cost ... „		10	0 0
Twenty four Beavers & Beaveretts Cost ... „		15	0 0
Fifteen Tuns of Beer ... „		67	10 0
Two Clocks Cost ... „		12	0 0
One Box Habberdashery ... „		30	0 0
Silver Forreign 8269 Oz. at 5 : 6 d ¼ ... „		2282	11 9¼
	£	2999	18 3[¼]

A LIST OF SOULDIERS ENTERTEYNED TO SERVE THE HON^{BLE}. UNITED EAST INDIA COMP^{a}. ON BOARD THE SHIP KING WILLIAM VIZ^{t}.

N^{o}.	1	M^{r}. Patrick Johnston-Leften^{t}.	
	2	M^{r}. Richard Pearson Ensigne.	
	3	George Mowat Serjant.	
	4	Francis Page Souldier.	
	5	Arthur Crew	D^{o}.
	6	John Johnson	D^{o}.
	7	Thomas Gristed	D^{o}.
	8	James White	D^{o}.
	9	John Giles	D^{o}.
	10	Will^{m}. Beaves *alies* Pritchard	D^{o}.
	11	John Sherlock	D^{o}.
	12	John Collens	D^{o}.
	13	Thomas Davis	D^{o}.
	14	John Holmes	D^{o}.
	15	Richard Beadel	D^{o}.
	16	Abraham Bristow	D^{o}.
	17	Thomas Earle	D^{o}.
	18	John Clifford	D^{o}.
	19	Phillip Cherry	D^{o}.
	20	James Lowry	D^{o}.
	21	Benjamin Pink	D^{o}.
	22	John Gray	D^{o}.
N	23	Jobe Colton	Souldier.
	24	Will^{m}. Beavis	D^{o}.
	25	Tho^{s}. Dennis	D^{o}.
	26	Fran^{s}. Rush	D^{o}.
	27	Will^{m}. Hutchins	D^{o}.
	28	Joseph Nicholas	D^{o}.
	29	Joseph Bedcott	D^{o}.
	30	Tho. Craven	D^{o}.
	31	John Francis	D^{o}.
	32	Will^{m}. Phillips	D^{o}.
	33	Dennis Mellony	D^{o}.
	34	Tho^{s}. Chamberlain	D^{o}.
	35	Will^{m}. Roger	D^{o}.
	36	John [Palmer?]	D^{o}.
	37	Tho^{s}. Palmer	D^{o}.
	38	John Fox	D^{o}.
	39	Robert Frost	D^{o}.
	40	Samuel Hayes	D^{o}.
	41	Samuel Synnock	D^{o}.
	42	John Browne	D^{o}.
	43	Charles Leigh	D^{o}.
	44	Thomas Cartwright	D^{o}.
	45	Thomas Pearce	D^{o}.

East India house, Lond^{n}. y^{e}. 2^{d}. Feb^{ry}. 1712 Ex^{d}. Tho Lewes

A List of Souldiers Enterteyned to serve the Hon^ble. United East India Company on Board the ship Hanover Viz^t.

N°. 1	M^r. Samuel Heyden	Ensigne.	N°: 27	George Homes	Souldier.
2	Tho^s. Hicks	Serjant.	28	John Dennes	D°.
3	Will^m. Hartwell	Corporal.	29	John Eaton	D°.
4	James Graham	Souldier.	30	John Grinvill	D°.
5	Robert Munday	D°.	31	Sam.^l Collings	D°.
6	Thomas Winn	D°.	32	W^m: Nettingham	D°.
7	Will^m. Dunn	D°.	33	Charles Rochester	D°.
8	Michael Clarke	D°.	34	Tho: Pugh	D°.
9	Jeremiah Walton	D°.	35	John Betts	D°.
10	Will^m. Armitage	D°:	36	John Trevor	D°.
11	John Watson	D°.	37	John Phillips	D°.
12	John Harris	D°.	38	John Langstroff	D°.
13	Leonard Balliott	D°.	39	Edward Watts	D°.
14	Peter Kido	D°.	40	Richard Perry	D°.
15	Tho: Harris	D°.	41	Peter Godde	D°.
16	Tho: Stephens	D°.	42	Joseph Morgan	D°.
17	John Castle	D°.	43	James Caton	D°.
18	John Cooper	D°.	44	Edward Harrison	D°.
19	George Buckler	D°.	45	Will^m. William	D°.
20	Joseph Potter	D°.	46	John Haslam	D°.
21	John Page	D°.	47	Edward Italy	D°.
22	John Richard	D°.	48	Joseph Spackman	D°.
23	John Bougouin	D°.	49	Will^m. Ilger	D°.
24	Henry Vautier	D°.	50	John Averly	D°.
25	Thomas Longford	D°.	51	W^m: Russell	D°.
26	John Armitage	D°.			

East India House,
Lond^n y^e 2^d Feb^ry 1712.
Ex^d Tho Lewes.

A List of Souldiers Enterteyned to Serve the Hon^ble United East India Company on Board the Ship Frederick Viz^t.

1.	Hugh Boyd	Serjant	21.	Richard Wrighting	Sould^r.
2.	George Hallewell	Sould^r.	22.	John Wilkie	D°.
3.	Charles Cristian	Corporall.	23.	John Cooper	D°.
4.	Giles Green	Sould^r.	24.	John Bitly	D°.
5.	Robert Bayly	D°.	25.	John Ward	D°.
6.	Henry Moss	D°.	26.	Fosiah Coldwell	D°.
7.	John Barry	D°.	27.	Will^m. Adgoe	D°.
8.	Will^m. Mills	D°.	28.	Archibald Cannady	D°.
9.	Fleetwood Newton	D°.	29.	Charles Hunter	D°.
10.	Samuel Saunders	D°.	30.	Will^m. Bush	D°.
11.	Archibald Patison	D°.	31.	John Phillips	D°.
12.	George Ady	D°.	32.	Joseph Glanvill	D°.
13.	James Lattimore	D°.	33.	John Cock	D°.
14.	Christop^r. Harling	D°.	34.	Will^m. Howman	D°.
15.	John Rand	D°.	35.	James Tobin	D°.
16.	James Varley	D°.	36.	Edw^d. Herring	D°.
17.	Richard Holmsby	D°.	37.	James Cock	D°.
18.	Tho: Triggs	D°.	38.	John Mills	D°.
19.	Samuel Banks	D°.	39.	Francis Holmes	D°.
20.	James Ball	D°.	40.	John Abbott	D°.

41. Thomas Simmons Sould[r].
42. Richard Hayley D°.
43. Will[m]. Smith D°.
44. John Gurney Sould[r].
45. Wallsingham Healthfield D°.

East India House,
Lond[n]. 2[d] Feb[ry]. 1712.
Ex[d]. Tho Lewes.

[Entries on the Stock in Ships.]

				£	s.	d.
Three	3	Bales Scarlets	...	£33	0	0
Two	2	D°. Skie	...	26	4	0
Five	5	D°. Yellow	...	26	4	0
Three	3	D°. Purple	...	30	10	0
Three	3	D°. Grass Green.		26	8	0
Two	2	D°. Maz[n] Blew		26	16	0
Fifty Five	55	D°. Popinjaes	...	9	15	0
Twenty five	25	D°. D°.	...	9	15	0
Twenty	20	D°. Scarlets	...	18	8	0
Twenty	20	D°. Yellows	...	12	5	0
Fifty	50	D°. Auroras	...	13	12	0
Twenty five	25	D°. D°.	...	14	12	0
One Hundred	100	D°. Popinjaes	...	8	15	0
Fifty	50	D°. D°.	...	8	15	0
Ninety	90	D°. D°.	...	9	10	0

453 Bales of Broad Cloth Long Ells.

		£	s.	d.
Twenty Seven	27 Ba[s]. Scarlet	2	18	0
Twenty	20 D°. Popinjae			

47 Bales of Long Ells.

[. . .] Of this Colour send none.
[. . .] Of this Colour send n[one].
[. . . Of this Colour send none].

VELVETTS. VIZ[t].

10.	Pieces Scarlet	10 Pieces.
10.	D°. Green	10 D°.
5.	D°. Blew	5 D°.
4.	D°. Skie	4 D°.
2.	D°. Yellow	2 D°.
1.	D°. Black	1 D°.
10.	D°. Severall Coll[rs]. Flowered ...	10 D°.

42. Pieces, let the Flowerd be all Light Collours.

CALLIMANCOES.

One Hundred 100. Pieces, Stript Light Collours.
One Hundred 100. D°. Flowerd Ditto.

HAIR CAMBLETS.

20. Pieces deep Scarlet ... ... Twenty Pieces.

BROCADE SILKS.

12. Pieces Severall sorts ... ... Twelve Pieces.

DOE-SKIN GLOVES VIZ^{t}.

Ten Pair	10. p^{r}. Topt lined wth. Velvet & edged wth. Gold & Silver.
Forty Pair	40. p^{r}. Topt lined wth. Leather, thick & Soft.
	50. Pair. The Use of these for the Omrows to carry their Hawkes on.
Twenty	20. Cases q^{t}. each 2 Razers. 1 pair long pointed Scizzars. Silver handles & Chain.
Ten	10. Cases q^{t}. each a Penkife, Scizzars & Pencill, the Handles Silver, the Cases Shagreen.
Twenty	20. Cases q^{t}. each 6 Knives, some to be large Table Knives and Some middle Size, the Handles some Amber, some Plate.

PENK[N]IVES.

Two hundred	200. Penknives of the best Sort, some Amber, some Ivory.

FUZEES.

Forty Eight	48. Fuzees for Presents.

SWORD BLADES.

[Forty]	40. Sword Blades to be according to the Muster deliverd to Captain Samuel Goodman, some [. . .] none shorter, let them be [. . .] the Handles inlaid [. . .]

LOOKING GLASSES VIZ^{t}.

One hundred	100. In Swinging Frames from Ten Inches to Twenty Inches,
Forty Eight	48. With Coulourd Frames from Sixteen Inches to Twenty four Inches.
	148.
Twenty	20. Small Pocket Books wth. Shagreen covers q^{t}. Leaves that are to be Wrote on and rub'd out wth. a Silver Pencill q^{t}. a Silver Pen wth. a red & black Pencill.
One hundred & ffifty.	150. M^{ds}. Lump Glass to be Clear white void of green Collour and without Flowers.

ARMOUR.

Ten ...	10. Suits from top to toe of fine Steele well Pollished.
Four ...	4. Suits inlaid wth. Gold & Silver in the finest manner. Let these be put up very Carefully that they may not rust or Spoil being fo[r] the Emperour & let not there be any Figures of Men, Beasts, or Birds but Flowers.
Ten ...	10. Large Flint Glass Sconces wth. Branches such as are used in Churches, let the Globe or middle part be very large, thick and Clear.
One hundred.	100. Yards of Gold & Silver Orriss of [. . .] or three fingers breadth.
Ten ...	10. Large Clocks wth. Chimes of Severall Tunes, the Cases to be of plain Wainscot, neat Work.
Ten ...	10. Buff Coats.
Fiffy ...	50. Stone [T] roughfs to drain Water thrô if to be pro [. . .] they come from the Canaries.

FORT ST. GEORGE JANUARY THE 9TH 1709/10
INVOICE OF A PRESENT TO THE GREAT KING SHAWALLUM BEING ACCOT. OF BOTH INVOICES CONSIGN'D TO BENGALL & METCHLEPATAM.

To Bengall ℔ Ship John & Elizabeth
as ℔ Invoice dated Ye. 27 Augst. 1709.

JAPAN ESCRIPTORES 5 VIZt.

No.	1.	1	pair large	...	...	...	150	0	0	
	2.	1	Ditto	...	...	...	125	0	0	
	4.	1	Single	...	...	...	70	0	0	
										345 0 0
No.	7.			LACQUER'D WARE 1 CHEST VIZt.						
		20	large China bandeses, 10 red & 10 black	...	...		7	0	0	
		20	Small Ditto	...	...	...	3	0	0	
		30	round Scollopt	...	...	...	6	0	0	
										16 0 0
	8.			ONE CHEST qt. VIZt.						
		20	large bandeses 10 red & 10 black	...	...	...	7	0	0	
		40	small Ditto 8 square		...		8	0	0	
		30	Ditto Scollopt	...	...		6	0	0	
										21 0 0
	9.			JAPAN EARTHEN WARE VIZt.						
		1	Urn pa 5 bowles large 1 pa 4.				9	0	0	
		8	cups scollopt wth. saucers fa 28·2. Cups 6 fa 18	...			1	10	2	
		1	plate & two butter boxes pa 1-13-3, cups wth. Saucers 19 pa 2. 4	...	...	...	3	17	3	
		38	plates at pa 20 ℔ 100 pa 7. 21.5 one tea pot fa 18...				8	3	5	
		2	flower pots pa 1 perings 36, pa 6. 25. 1, small plates 6 pa 4	...	...	...	11	25	1	
		2	small bowles wth. covers wth. each 2 plates	...	...		4	0	0	
		11	dishes of divers sizes pa 16. 25. 5. large perins 2 pa 4				20	25	5	
										58 10 0
	10.			1 CHEST qt. VIZt.						
		3	Jars pa 6 Cups 20 in do. pa. 2·8 perings 8 wth. 7 cups in do. fa 28. 3	...	...		9	0	3	
		1	tea pott fa. 18 perings 33 pa 1. 4. 2	...	...	...	1	22	2	
		10	dishes of Severall sorts	...			15	7	1	
		2	rosewater bottles pa 1, butter pots 2 pa	...	...		3	0	0	
		7	perings pa 1. 10·5. bowles wth. covers 2 & 3 plates pa 3.				4	10	5	
		5	small dishes pa 5. large perings 2 fa 18				5	18	—	
		45	plates	...	...	...	9	—	—	

CHEST Q^T. VIZ^T.

Jarrs pa 6.18. cups 26 p 2. 32. Tea potts 2. pa. 2	10.	14:	—	
butter boxes w^th covers pa 1 : 13 : 3 perings 41 pa 7...	8:	13:	3	
large perings pa 2 plates 44 pa 12 — 12 — 4	14:	12:	4	
dishes of several sorts pa 32 : 9 bowles 2w^th. covers & with each 2 plates	36 —	9 —	0	
				69: 13: [...]

JAPPAN LACQUER'D WARE ONE CH^T Q^T VIZ^T.

[. . .] [s]mall boxes q^t 8 cups w^th. covers	27:	12:	—	
[. . .] small dressing box ...	20:	—:	—	
[. . .] small box q^t 10 cups & penings	10:	—:	—	
[. . .] small trunks w^th. small one in pa 25 small [. . .] bandese pa 2	27:	—:	—	
[. . .] box q^t 16 large cupps.	16:	—:	—	
[. . . Jap]pan plates in boxes pa 40 great & small dishes [. . .] pa 16 18	56:	18:	—	
				156: 30: —

ONE CH^T. Q^t. VIZ^T.

[. . . lar]ge box q^t bandeses 10 pa 90 work boxes 17 pa 8 ...	98:	—:	—	
[. . . che]sts small dressing boxes pa 20 large d° w^th. [b]andeses 4 pa 28	48:	—:	—	
[. . . | large china bandeses pa 3 perings 60 pa 25.6	28:	6:	—	
[. . .] dressing boxes ...	19:	—:	—	
				193: 6: —

ONE CHEST Q^T. VIZ^t.

[. . .] large glass bowl pa 6 large sherbet bowl w^th [. . .] cover pa 1...	7:	—:	—	
[. . .] pincht neck bottles pa. pa 1 rosewater bottles 2 1 ...	2:	—:	—	
[. . .] Sweet meat glasses pa 1 dram cup 1 fa 18	118:	—:	—	
[. . .] cups pa 3 large sillabub.pot 1 w^th. cov^r. pa 4 ...	7:	—:	—	
[. . .] Small sillabub pot pa. pa 2 small Sher belt bowles 3.3.	5·	—:	—	
[. . .] Coosars pa 3, juggs 2 w^th. cov^rs. pa 2, decant^rs. 2. pa 4.	9:	—:	—	
[. . .] Sweet Water bottles pa 1·18, cans 2 pa 1, d° colour'd [. . .] pa 4	6:	18:	—	

[. . . Pla]te glass w^th^. cov^r^. pa 3, coosars 2 pa 2 rosewater bottles 12 pa l. 18 ... ... 6: 18: — 44: 18: —

[One] Chest q^r^ Lacquer'd Ware Viz^t^.

[. . .] sers 25 small boxes, 10 w^th^. small ... ... [. . .]
[. . .].

N°. 30	2 Looking Glasses w^th^. frames painted	15:	20: —	
31	2 Dressing Glasses d°.	11:	4. —	
32	6 Glass Sconces	18:	—: —	
35 & 36	2 Looking Glasses d°.	111:	4: —	
47	5 Glass sconces 5 Candles Socketts 4 Urns	12:	18: —	
48	1 Looking glase w^th^. a glass frame.	30:	—: —	
				627:[. . .]

49 One box q^r^. Viz^t^.

4 Japan bowles w^th^. cov^rs^. & dishes ...	10:	—: —	
38 cups & Saucers	10:	—: —	
			20: —: —

China Screens Viz^t^.

50	1 Skreen	25:	—: —
51	1 D°.	25:	—: —
52	1 D°.	25:	—: —
			75: —: —

Brass Feild Peices.

	cwt. qr. lb.		
4 qrs.	4. 2. 13	112:	18: —
carriages for d°.	... ...	60:	—: —
			172: 18: —

Clocks 4 Viz^t^.

90	2 Table Clocks	200:	—: —
91 & 92	2 Standing d°. w^th^. Persia charactor^s^. w^th^. velvet & laced	260:	—: — 460: —: —
85 to 89	Coffee 5 bales ℔ C Ca 1·8^mo^ at pa 80 ℔ ca		[. . .]
TP N°. 3	Looking glasses guilt		[11 . . .]

		f.	in.	
N°. D	22 bales q^t^ 2 carpetts 37 foot long broad	17	3....	[3 : . .]
E	2 D°. q^t^ 2 D°. ... ... 35·3	12:	—:	[2 . . .]
F	2 D°. q^t^ 2 D°. ... ... 32·9	11:	9:	[22 . . .]
G	2 D°. q^t^ 2 D°. ... ... 29·	11:	10:	[20 . . .]

Charges merchandize on this Invoice Viz^t^.

Waxcloth used in packing 30 p^s^. ...	45:	—: —	
Gurrahs 20 p^s^.	12:	12: —	
Cotton 5 maund	5:	—: —	
Gunnys 150 p^s^.	4:	18: —	
Ropes 1 candy	3:	—: —	
[...	1:	9: —]	

[. . . Con]signed to Metchlepatam Viz^{t}.

[Jap]pan Escriptores 3 pair Viz^{t}.

[. . .]	... ...	30:	—:	—
[. . .]	... ...	22:	18:	—
[. . .]	... ...	20:	—:	—
				72: 18: —

[. . .] Chest Q^{r}. Viz^{t}.

[. . .] bafts 16 p^{s}. at pa 36 ℔ p^{s}.	... ...	576:	—:	—
[. . .] Ditto 3 ... 44		132:	—:	—
[. . .] Ditto 1 double green & red	... ...	22:	—:	—
[. . .] Ditto 17 Ordinary at 9½ ...	... ...	161:	18:	—
				891: 18: —

[. . .] Q^{r}. Viz^{r}.

[. . .] 1 p^{s}. gold ground wth. Silk flowers	... ...	60:	—:	—
[. . .] 1 d°. green & red flowers...	... ...	60:	—:	—
[. . .] 1 d°. Silver wth. flower'd D°.	... ...	50:	—:	—
[. . .] 1 d°. wth. green stripes.		40:	—:	—
[. . .] 1 d°. green & red	...	40:	—:	—
[. . .] 1 d°. Persia Silk Europe Muster	... ...	100:	—:	—
[. . .] 2 d°. Scarlet & Silver flowers	... ...	100:	—:	—
[. . .] 2 d°. Zeerbafts [1] d°.	...	80:	—:	—
[. . .] 2°. Silver ground	...	60:	—:	
[. . .] 1°. Small flowers	...	40:	—:	
[. . .] 1 d°. China Silk embroider'd w^{ths}. peacock feath^{s}	...	35:	—:	—
				665: —: —

[. . . .] Q^{r}. Viz^{r}.

[. . .] English Velvet q^{t}. 8 yards	... ...	32:	—:	—
[. . .] Persia plain 70	...	70:	—:	—
[. . .] flower'd	... ...	20:	—:	—
[. . .]etts	... ...	1:	—:	—
				123: —: —

[. . . .] q^{t}. Viz^{r}.

[. . .]unken bed & pillows velvet embro^{d}. green	... ...	35:	—:	—
[. . .]	... ...	35:	—:	—
[. . . Ve]lvet Quilt	...	12:	—:	—
[. . .]llaken bed & pillows green and gould	... ...	15:	—:	—
[. . .] china silk wth. silk of different colours	... ...	20:	—:	—
[. . .] White & gold	...	20:	—:	—
[. . .] Shashes	... ...	70:	—:	—
[. . .] ich silk	... ...	18:	—:	—
[. . .] wrought wth. silk	...	35:	—:	—
[. . .] rian Quilts	... ...	85:	—:	—

[1] Gold-brocades, *Hobson-Jobson*, p. 983.

[*Portions lost in original.*]

ONE CHEST q^{t}. VIZ^{T}.

N°. 21	1 pair guild trunks manhila Work	...	...	...	[. . .	]
	1 d°. Do.	...	...	...	[. . .	]
22.	1 Box q^{t}. Viz^{t}. 1 Jappan Dressing box	...	...	...	[. . .	]
	1 Case wth. English flowers	...	...	...	[. . .	]
	1 Corge Persia Looking Glasses	...	...	...	[. . .	]
	1 Concave Looking Glass.	...	...	...	[. . .	]
33.	1 chest q^{t}. Pictures wth. guilt frames	...	...	...	[. . .	]
37. 38.	1 pair Escriptores of Champhire Wood	...	...	...	[. . .	]

1 BOX Q^{T}. VIZ^{T}.

40.	72 triangle glasses	...	...	...	[. . .	]
	4 dozen Ivory prospective glasseses	...	...	...	[. . .	]
	72 magnifying glasses	...	...	...	[. . .	]
	11 burning glasses	...	...	...	5 : [. . .	]
	12 Dozen spectacles all colours	...	...	...	16 : — : —	
41.	1 Box q^{t}. 24 telli[s]copes	...	...	...	[. . .	]
42.	1 D°. q^{t}. China toys	...	...	...	[. . .	]
43.	1 D°. q^{t}. 30 p^{s}. China silks at pa. 6-18	...	...	...	[. . .	]
44.	1 Bale q^{t}. 3 p^{s}. printed cloth	...	...	...	[. . .	]
45.	1 Box q^{t}. Viz^{t}.					

		oz.	cwts.			
	5 Silver plates manilha work q^{t}....	... 96 :	5 :			
	2 D°. trunks	52 :	—			
		... 148 :	5 :			
	Rupees	... 397½ :				
	5 Rosewater bottles 27 rupees each	... 135 :				
		532½ :				
	for fashion 70 ₱%	371½ :				
		904 :				
	at rupees 333 ₱ 100 pag^{s}.			... ...	271 :	18 : —
	1 large Silver trunk q^{t}. 108 oz. 10 cwt. at 50 ₱ %			...	129 :	4 : 4 :

MANILHA GOLD WORK VIZ^{T}.

	1 trunk pa 129	... ...	180 :			
	1 D°. Sandell wth. gold hinges	...	32 :			
	1 Gold Snuff Box	... ...	30 :			
					242 : . : —	
46.	1 Case q^{t}. Snuff	... ...	...	...	[. . .	]
		[. . .]				
	[. . .] ...	... ...	100 :	— : —		
	[. . .] guilt ...	... ...	100 :	— : —		
	[. . .] ...	... ...	30 :	— : —		
					[. . .	]
	[. . .] ...	... ...	200 :	— : —		
					430 : — : —	
	[. . .] pott ...	...	90 :	— : —		
	[. . .] ngee } cost alto-					
	[. . .] ttles } gether ...		280 :	— : —		
		oz. cwts. grs.				
	[. . .] [70]6 : 18 : 12	...	1,078 :	1 : —		
	[. . .] 3 : — : 12	...	422 :	2 : —		

[. . . 2: —: —] ... 323: 7: 1
[. . . —: 4: —] ... 25: —: —
[. . . fe] in the gold bowl q[t]. 211 cw[ts]. 168: 25: 5
[. . .] boxes q[t]. gensim 1 q[t]. 17 oz.: 7 cwts.: pa. 7 ℔ oz. ... 121: 16: —
[. . .] 6 bottles, D°. 1 D°. 35: 10 cost ... ... 320: —: —
[. . .] boxes 20 } [. . .] 1 } ... 21: —: —
[. . .] cups w[th]. perings Philligreen Work q[t]. oz. 14 cw[ts]. 12 ... ... 16: —: —
[. . .] China gause w[th]. gold flowers ... ... 40: —: —
[. . .] ser cases guilt ... 24: —: — 2,929: 19: —

[. . .] Viz[t].

[. . .] box Rhenocerous horn ... ... 35: —: —
[. . .] in case bottles ... 60: —: —
[. . .] D°. China ... 21: —: —
[. . .] Japan tea Kettle. 3: —: —
[. . .] D°. Patch box ... 5: —: —
[. . .] rest Tonqueen basketts ... ... 1: 18: — 125: 18: —

[. . .] ico 2 Chest q[t]. 6. 2 md. lb. ... ... 126: —: —
[. . .] Box q[t]. 1 Sable cap ... ... 100: —: —
[. . .] q[t]. 8 p[s]. Printed Cloth ... ... 1,034: —: —

[. . .] Q[r]. Viz[t].

[. . .] White Cloth ... 46: —: —
[. . .]
[. . .]

94 @ 95 2 Basketts q[t]. huble bubbles 20 ... [. . .]
96 @ 97 2 D°. Sweetmeats q[t]. 10 potts at fa 27 each ... ... [. . .]
98 1 D°. q[t]. cloves 3 bottles ... ... [. . .]
A 2 D°. each q[t]. 5 carpetts ... ... [. . .]
B Dock hacknamault 3 p[s]: ... ... [. . .]
C 2 Bales each q[t]. 1 Carpett 18 foot: 3 in.: & 7 broad ... ... [. . .]
1A 1 D°. q[t]. Taffaties red 6 Corge at Pa. 18 ... ... [. . .]
2A. 1 D°. Q[r]. Viz[t].
Scarlett cloth 3 P[s]. ... [7: —: — . . .]
2 D°. popingees green ... [34: —: — . . .]
1 D°. Ordinary green ... [11: —: — . . .]
2 D°. Aurora ... ... [32: —: — . . .]
[. . .]
3A Looking Glass 2 in a case ... ... [18: —: — . . .]
Telliscopes 1 in D°. ... [1: 9: — . . .]
Spectacles 18 ... ... [2: —: — . . .]
Multiplying Glasses 24... [6: 24: — . . .]
[. . .]

4A. 1 SMALL BOXE Q^{T}. VIZ^{T}.

1 P^{r}. cloth rashes	22 :	8 :	—
2 D^{o}. Ordinary perpetuannoes ...	9 :	— :	—
			[. . .]

5A. 2 PARCELLS Q^{T}. VIZ^{T}.

2 large hanger blades	3 :	10 :	—
2 D^{o}. Straight D^{o}.	3 :	4 :	—
2 D^{o}. 2 edged swords	2 :	— :	—
20 Small hanger blades	2 :	28 :	—
			[. . .]

Nx Pictures 6 in a small case omitted to be charg'd before ... ... [. . .]

CHARGES MERCHANDICE VIZ^{T}.

White Lead 1½ maund	— :	27 :	—
Wax cloth 20 P^{s}.	30 :	— :	—
Gurrahs 15	9 :	18 :	—
Cotton 5 mand	5 :	— :	—
Gunnys 150 P^{s}.	4 :	18 :	—
Twine 5 maund	1 :	9 :	—
Chest 37	12 :	12 :	—
Boat & Cooley hire	1 :	— :	—
Mending two [. . .]	6 :	34 :	[—]
[. . .] ths for Ensign Dutton	30 :	— :	—
[. . .] the Soldiers	20 :	— :	—
[. . .] halters & horse cloths ...	13 :	4 :	—
[. . .] rges	12 :	— :	—
[. . .]	25 :	20 :	—
[. . .] apa	100 :	— :	—
[. . .]	5 :	4 :	3
[. . .]	7 :	18 :	—
[Si]lk clouts 3½ P^{s}. 14 : 13 : 3 ...		...	
[. . .] 8¼ cotton pa. 1. 23¾ Silk.		...	
[. . .] ropes fa. 20 thread fa. 2½		...	
[. . .]	34 :	11 :	—
[. . .] Serrapa & Paupa ...	6 :	10 :	—
[. . .] & Looking glases pa. 1. 3½		...	
[. . .] fa. 12	1 :	18 :	—
[. . .]	— :	18 :	—
			587 : 31 : 3
[. . .]whats remaining w^{ch}. was provided [. . .] aforesaid present.			
[. . .] pallankeen	25 :	— :	—
[. . .] for D^{o}. oz. 122	84 :	— :	—
			109 : — : —
[. . .] D^{o}.			20 : — : —
[. . .] red tossells pa. 16 sett green d^{o}. pa. 15			31 : — : —
[. . . la]rge Persia bay horse			250 : — : —
[. . .] EARL VIZ^{T}.			
[. . .] the form of a bullion thacs. 174		pa.	400 : — : —
[. . .] rop			100 : — : —
[. . .] round			135 : — : —
			635 : — : —

[. . .]	Amber beads 23 Seer at 5½	126:	18:	—
[. . .]	French Brandy 1 cask	24:	—:	—
[. . .]	Ch[t]. arrack bead & bead musk ...	140:	—:	—
[. . .]	ne tent	100:	—:	—
[. . .	Coff]ee 12 maund	48:	—:	—
[. . .	par]rotts pa. 240. a large Cockatore			
p. 20 ...	... ...	[. . .]		
[. . .]	... ...	270:	—:	—
[. . .	Le]wree	20:	—:	—
[. . .]	cages	[1]0:	8:	—
[. . .]	... ...	4:	24:	5
[. . .]	... ...	[. . .]		

EXTRACT OF SEVERALL CLAUSES IN THE EAST IND[IA COMPANY'S] CHARTER DATED THE 5TH OF SEPTEMBER 1698 WHICH C[HARTER IS]IN PURSUANCE OF AN ACT OF PARLIAMENT PAST IN [THE TENTH YEAR OF] THE REIGN OF KING WILLIAM THE THIRD.

And wee do hereby further Will & appoint that the [said Company, hereby] Established and their Successors shall constantly m[aintain a Minister and] School Master in the Island of St. Helena when th[e said Island shall] come into the hands or Possession of the same Comp[any; and also one Minister] in every Garison and Superiour Factory which [the same company, or] their Successors shall have in the same East Ind[ies, or other the parts] within the Limitts aforesaid & shall also in such [Garrison and Factories] respectively provide or Set apart a decent or conv[enient Place for Divine] Service only and shall also take a Chaplain on boar[d every ship which shall] be sent by the same Company to the said East Ind[ies, or other the parts] within the Limits aforesaid which shall be of the [Burthen of Five] hundred Tons or upwards for such Voyages the [the salary of which] Chaplain shall Commence from the time that such [ship shall depart] from England and moreover That no such Minister [shall be sent by] the same Company to the said East Indies or other the [Parts within] the Limits aforesaid untill he shall have been first approved [of by the] the Archbishop of Canterbury or the Bishop of London for the time [being]; all which said Ministers so to be sent shall be entertained from time to time with all due respect.

And wee do further Will and Appoint That all such Ministers as shall be sent to reside in India as aforesaid shall be obliged to learn within one Year after their arrivall the Portuguese Language & shall apply themselves to learn the Native Language of the Country where they shall reside the better to enable them to Instruct the Gentons that shall be the Servants or Slaves of the same Company or of their Agents in the Protestant Religion and that in case of the Death of any of the said Ministers residing in the East Indies or other the Parts within the Limitts aforesaid the Place of such Minister so dying shall be supplyed by one of the Chaplains out of the next Ships that shall arrive at or near the Place where such Ministers shall happen to die.

And wee do hereby further Will & Direct That the said Company and their Successors shall from time to time provide School Masters in all the said Garisons & Superiour Factories where they shall be found necessary.

LIST OF THE COMPANYS PACKETT TO FORT ST. [GEORGE] BY THE KING WILLIAM.

N°. 1. Companys Generall to the Fort dated the 2d. Feb[. . .]
2. Invoice of the King William amounting to £ [5 . . .]
3. Bill of Lading of Ditto Ship.
4. Copy of the King Williams Charterparty.
5. List of Goods to be provided at the Coast of [. . .] Ships going out this year 1712.

N°. 6. List of Free Merchants for Fort S[t]. George.
7. Abstract of the Cargo's of the four Coast & Bay [. . .]
8. Manifest of Bullion & Goods Licenced to [. . .] the King William.
9. Acco[t]. of Corall &c[a]. Lycenced to be Shipt [. . .] William Hannover & Frederick.
10. Copy of the Entry's on the Separate Stock [. . .] Joseph & Concord.
11. List of 45 Souldiers on board the King Will[iam] by M[r]. Thomas Lewes.
12. A Small Box Directed Patterns of 190 Bales of Cloth & ten Bales of Long Ells by the King William in the Box apart.
13. Copy of the List intituled Musters of Broadcloth & List of Goods wanting for Fort William rec[d]. by the S[t]. George & Aurengzebe.
14. Copy of the Invoice of the Present to the Mogull.
15. Extracts of the Companys Charter relating to Chaplains & School Masters.
16. Packett Directed To the Hon[ble]. the President & Council for all the Forces & affairs of the English nation at Fort William in Bengal—To be forwarded thither by the first good opportunity in the Box apart.

LIST OF THE COMPANYS PACKETT TO F[ORT] S[t]. GEORGE BY THE HANNOVER.

N°. 1. Companys Generall to the Fort S[t]. George [dated . . .]
2. Invoyce of the Hannover amounting to £ [. . .]
3. Bills of Lading of Ditto Ship.
4. Copy of the Hannovers Charterparty.
5. List of Goods to be Provided on the Coast [. . .] the Ships going out this year 1712.
6. List of Free Merchants for Fort S[t]. [George].
7. Abstract of the Cargo's of the Four Coast [. . .].
8. Manifest of Bullion & Goods Licenced to [. . .] the Hannover.
9. Acco[t]. of Corall &c[a]. Lycenced to be Shipt [. . .] William Hannover & Frederick.
10. Copy of the Entrys on the Separate Stock [. . .] Joseph & Concord.
11. List of 51—Shouldiers on board the Han[nover] by M[r]. Thomas Lewes.
12. A Small Box Directed Patterns of 358 Bales [. . .] of Long Ells by the Honnover in the [B . . .].
13. Copy of the List entituled Musters of Broad Cloth & List of Goods wanting for Fort William rec[d]. by the S[t]. George & Aurengzebe.
14. Copy of the Invoice of the Present to the Mogull.
15. Extracts of the Companys Charter relating to Chaplains & School Masters.
16. Key of a Box N°. 4 containing Gold & Silver Thread by the Hannover in the Box apart.
17. Packett Directed To the Hon[ble]. the President & Council for all the Forces & affairs of the English Nation at Fort William in Bengall. To be forwarded thither by the first good opportunity in the Box apart.
18 Key of a chest of Medicines for Fort S[t]. George by the Hannover in the Box apart.

List of the Company's Packett to Fort [S^{t}. George] by the Frederick.

N°. 1. Companys Generall to the Fort Dated the 2^{d}. [. . .]
2. Invoice of the Frederick amounting to £404 [. . .]
3. Bill of Lading of Ditto Ship.
4. Copy of the Fredericks Charterparty.
5. List of Goods to be provided at the Coast [. . .] Ships going out this Year 1712.
6. List of Free Merchants for Fort S^{t}. Ge[orge].
7. Abstract of the Cargo's of the Four Coast [. . .]
8. Manifest of Bullion & Goods Lycenced [. . .] the Frederick.
9. Acco^{t}. of Corall &c^{a}. Lycenced to be Shipt [. . .] William Hannover & Frederick.
10. Copy of the Entrys on the Separate Stock [. . .] and Concord.
11. List of 45 Souldiers on board the Fred[erick] Thomas Lewes.
12. A Small Box Directed Patterns of 189 Bales [. . .] of Long Ells by the Frederick in the [B . . .]
13. Copy of the List entituled Musters of Broad Cloth [. . .] Goods wanting for Fort William rec^{d}. by the S^{t}. George & Aurengzebe.
14. Copy of the Invoice of the Present to the Mogull.
15. Extracts of the Company's Charter relating to Chaplains and School Masters.
16. The Packett in the Box apart directed to President Russell M^{r}. Addams M^{r}. Soames & Cap^{t}. Phripp relating to the Demands of M^{rs}. Shish & M^{r}. Norberry Executrixes on Cap^{t}. Say &c^{a}. please to forward to the Bay by the first good opportunity of Shipping or sending the Companys Packetts thither.

General letter to Fort S^{t}. George, dated January 9, 1712—13. [*Public Despatches from England, Vol.* 17, *p.* 143.]

To Edward Harrison Es[q^{R}. Governor]
and to all and every of the [Fort S^{t}. George],

Gentlemen.

Our Court of Directors have per[mitted . . .] Thurkettle to go over to Fort S^{t}. G[eorge . . .] hopes to better his Fortune which [. . .] his Father is well known to us [and . . .] recommend him to your ffavour [. . .] as it lyes in your Power, He is very [. . .] Writing as accounts and we are [also . . .] himself to Business which may be [. . .] to assist him, he being a Stranger to [. . .] his way at first without the Patronage [. . .] acquainted therewith for which reason [. . .] him want your help to put him into such Employment as you [find] him capable of and to give him such Encouragement as his Ingenuity, Honesty, and application may merit at your hands as if he were personally known to you, this will be a particular Obligation on us who desire always to be,

Gentlemen,

Your very humble Servants,

East India House,
the 9th. January 1712/13.
Rich Temple.
Gilbert Heathcote.

W^{m}. Dawsonne.
W^{m}. Humfreye.
Nath: Herne.
Henry Lyell.
Thomas Heath.

John Eyles.
Rob: Michel.
Geo: Dodington.
Ja: Craggs.

LETTER FROM THE SOCIETY FOR PROMOTING CHRISTIAN KNOWLEDGE TO FORT S[T]. GEORGE, DATED FEBRUARY 2, 1712—1713. [*Public Despatches from England, Vol.* 17, *pp.* 147–148.]

LONDON, 2[d]. FFEBRY. 1712/13.

The Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge have been Encouraged by the Success of the Danish Missionaries at Tranquebar not only to give them some Assistance, but even to Endeavour that the like attempts for propagating Christianity might be made in the British Territorys in India, & therefore they have Address'd to the Honourable East India Company as Occasions offer'd, to favour them herein, and must always thankfully acknowledge that they have been very kind in Complying with the Requests that have been made to them in order to that end. And in Confidence of the like Success We whose names are Subscribed, Members of the said Society and some of us known to the Honourable Governor and Councell at Fort S[t]. George take this Opportunity of recomending this usefull Design to your Patronage and Encouragement: Wherein We need not assure you We can have no other View then the Glory of God, and the good of Mankind.

We are very sensible that there are many Difficulties that will attend the first Essays in a Work of this Nature But since it pleased God by various methods before the coming of our Saviour, to prepare the way for that Swift progress of Christianity which follow'd it, who can tell but the present enlarged Comerce, which has Penetrated into the remotest Corners of the Earth, may be the means which Wise providence has appointed to facilitate the opening a Glorious Scene of the Christian Church in those parts.

Tis not very probable that We may live to see this [. . .] but if God pleases to put it in our power to Contribute towards it, We [. . .] selves inexcusable as well as [. . .] to see it, if [. . .] an Advantage. We there [*Portions lost in the original*] us in this matter and that you will with pleasure be the In[struments . . .] good as will result from opening a Door to the Heathen World for [. . .] Christianity.

The Persons employ'd in this Work must be Men of exemplary Meekness and Candour, as well as eminent in other Christian Qualificacõns, soe that if they are not protected by the Civil Magistrate in the discharge of their Functions, they will of course be insulted, and their Labours will be ineffectual. It is therefore our humble and earnest Request to you that you would be pleased to Countenance and Encourage the persons who are sent to India on this great Occasion.

The Society have by their Secretary Signifyed to M[r]. Jennings and M[r]. Lewis what they have done by this Fleet, and what they propose to do by the next, as God shall enable them, and We hope the Addresses of our Correspondents to you in relation to the Protestant Mission will always find Acceptance.

Wee shall be very thankfull for any Advices you may please to give us for the more Effectual prosecuting this Design, in order to be laid before the Society, and assure you that We shall not be wanting to do on this side of the world, what lyes in our Power to render it prosperous.

We heartily comend you to the Protecõn and favour of Heaven, and remain with great Respect.

Gentlemen,
Your most humble servants,
GUILFORD.
JO: LANDAL.

[*Some signatures lost.*]

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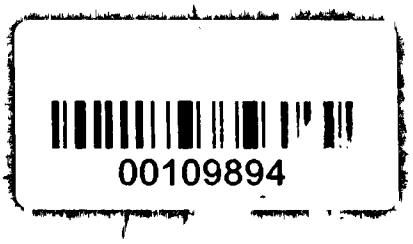

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